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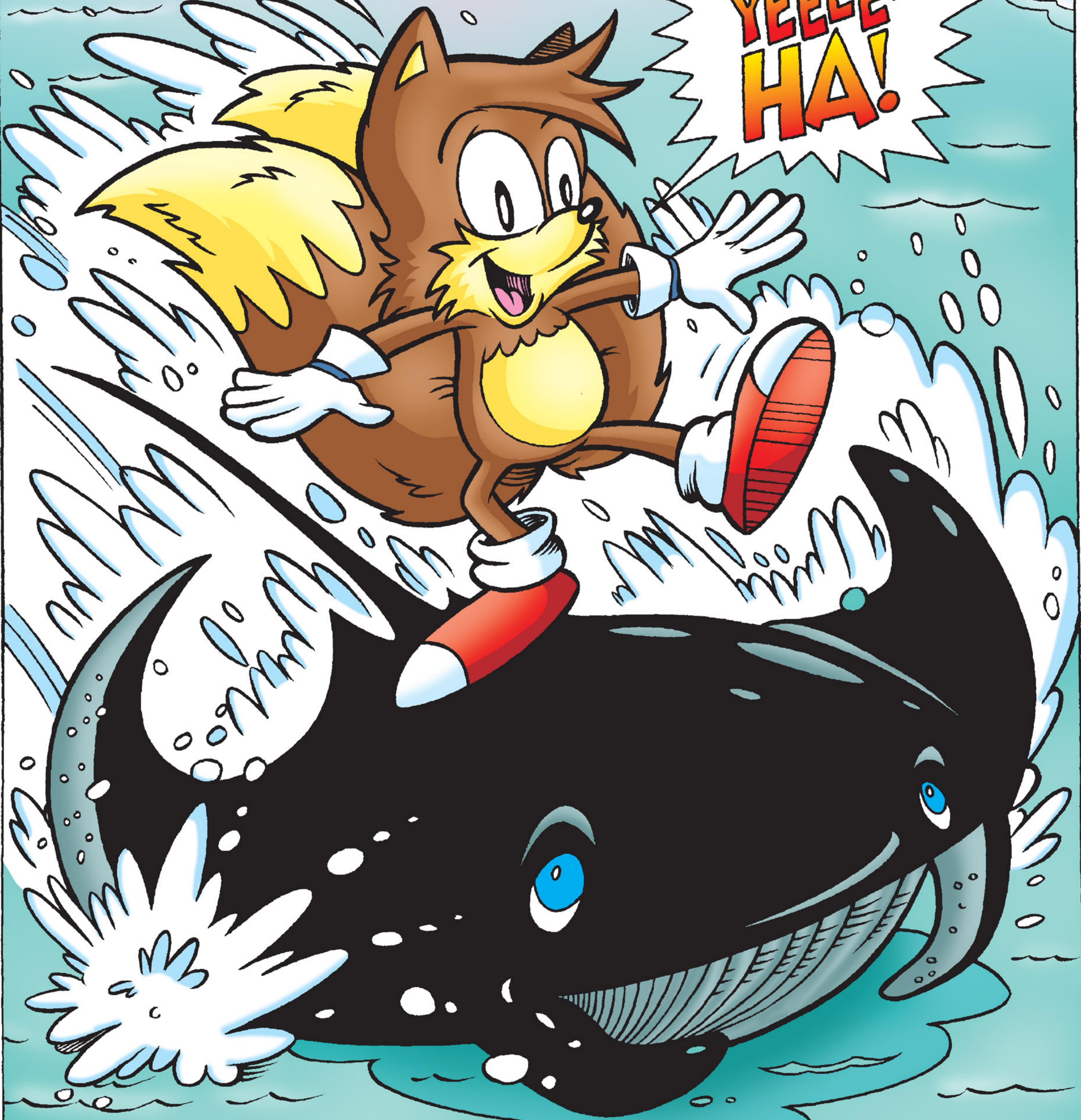


# SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

HERE!

MY BEST BUDDY  
TAILS IS COMING AT  
YOU IN HIS OWN THRILL-  
PACKED MINI-SERIES!

YEEEEE-  
HA!



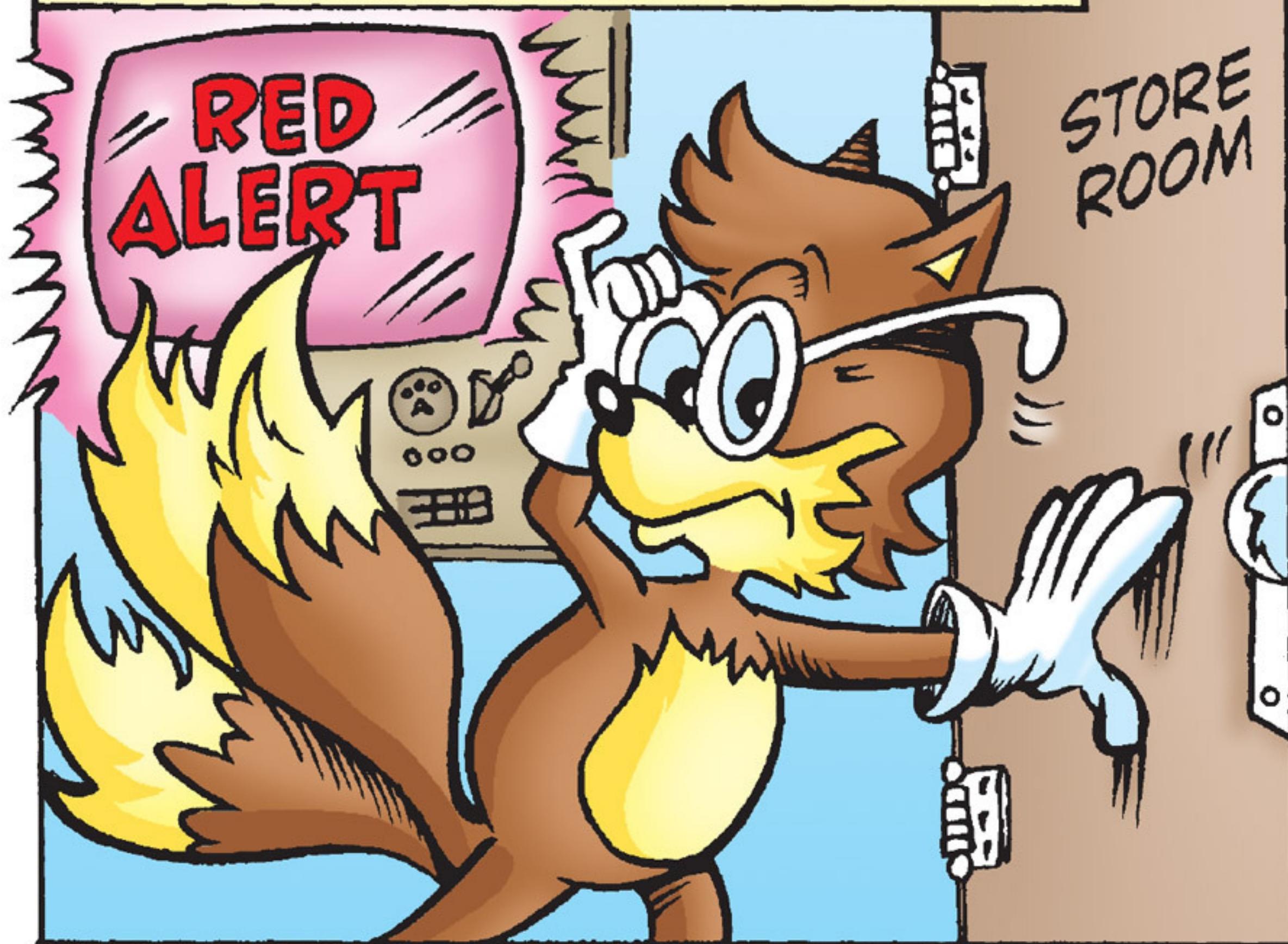
THE PLANET MOBIUS  
WAS A PASTORAL  
PLACE UNTIL THE  
EVIL DR. ROBOTNIK  
ARRIVED.

HIS TYRANNY GAVE RISE  
TO A NOBLE BAND OF  
FREEDOM FIGHTERS--

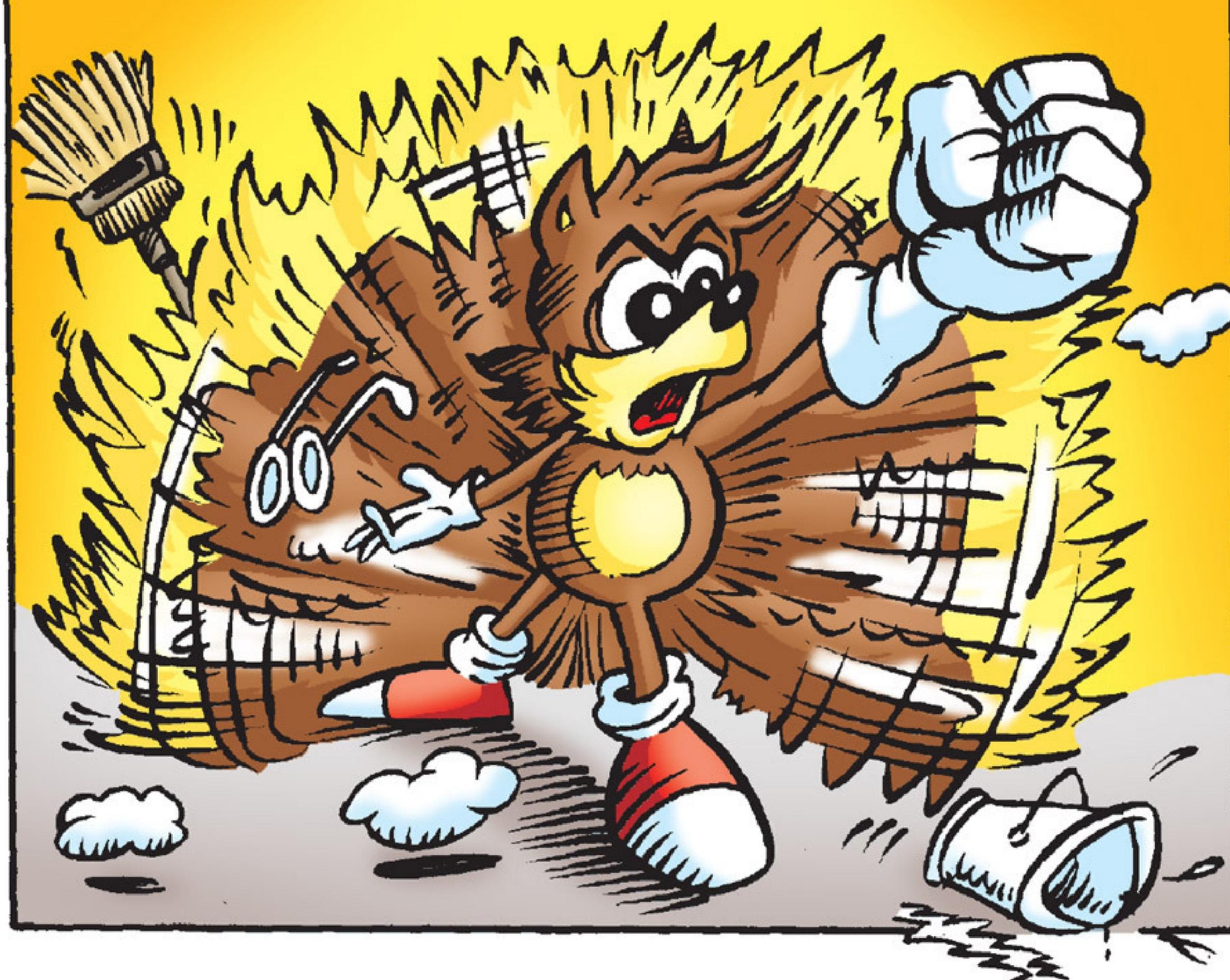
--LED BY **A** PRINCESS  
SALLY ACORN - **B** ROTOR  
THE WALRUS - **C** SONIC  
THE HEDGEHOG -



THE OTHER FREEDOM FIGHTERS  
FOOLISHLY TREATED MILES LIKE  
A CHILD! LITTLE DID THEY KNOW  
HIS AMAZING SECRET...



FOR WHEN DANGER AROSE, THE MEEK,  
MILD-MANNERED GUY SHED HIS SECRET  
IDENTITY AND STOOD REVEALED AS ...

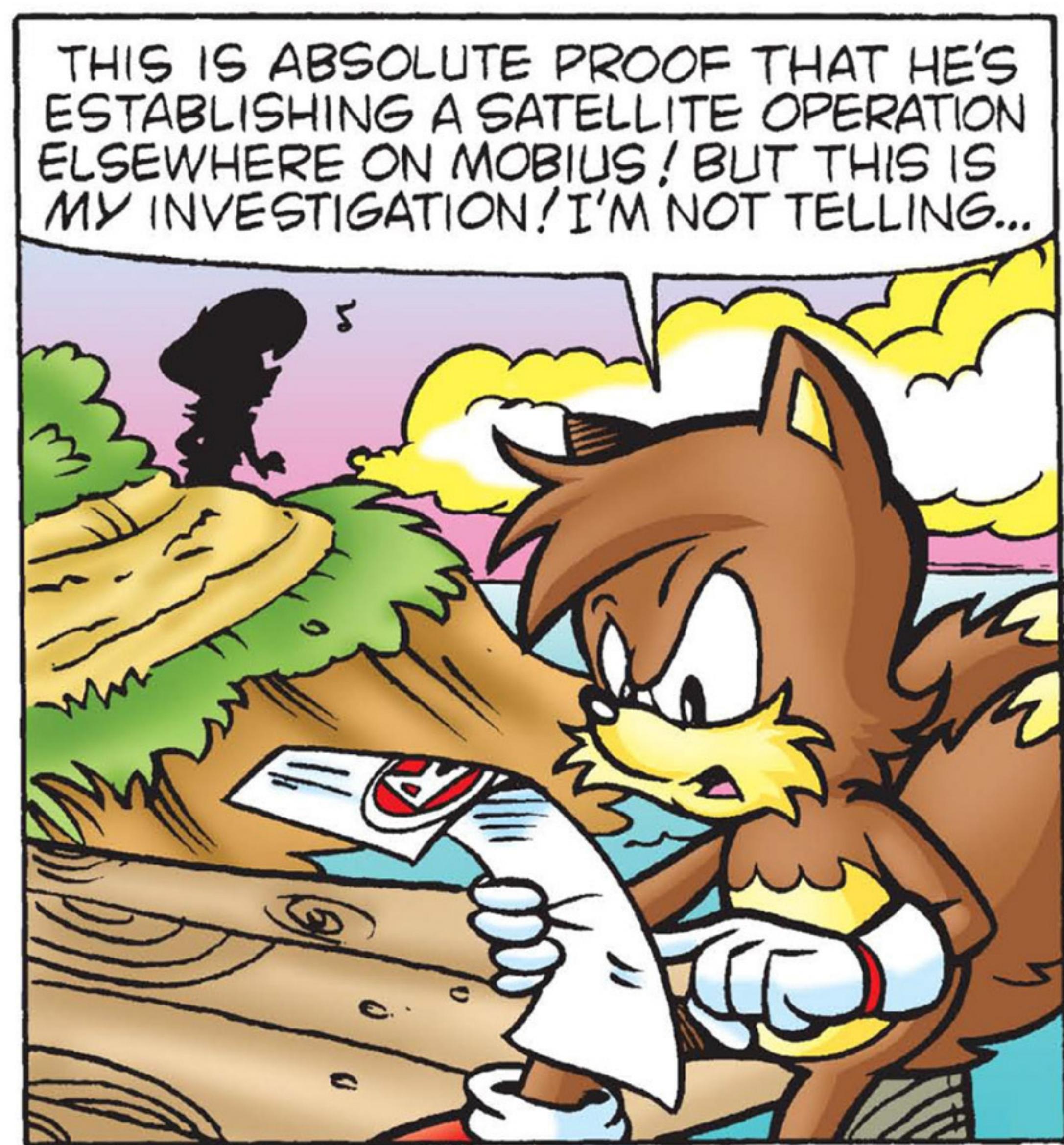
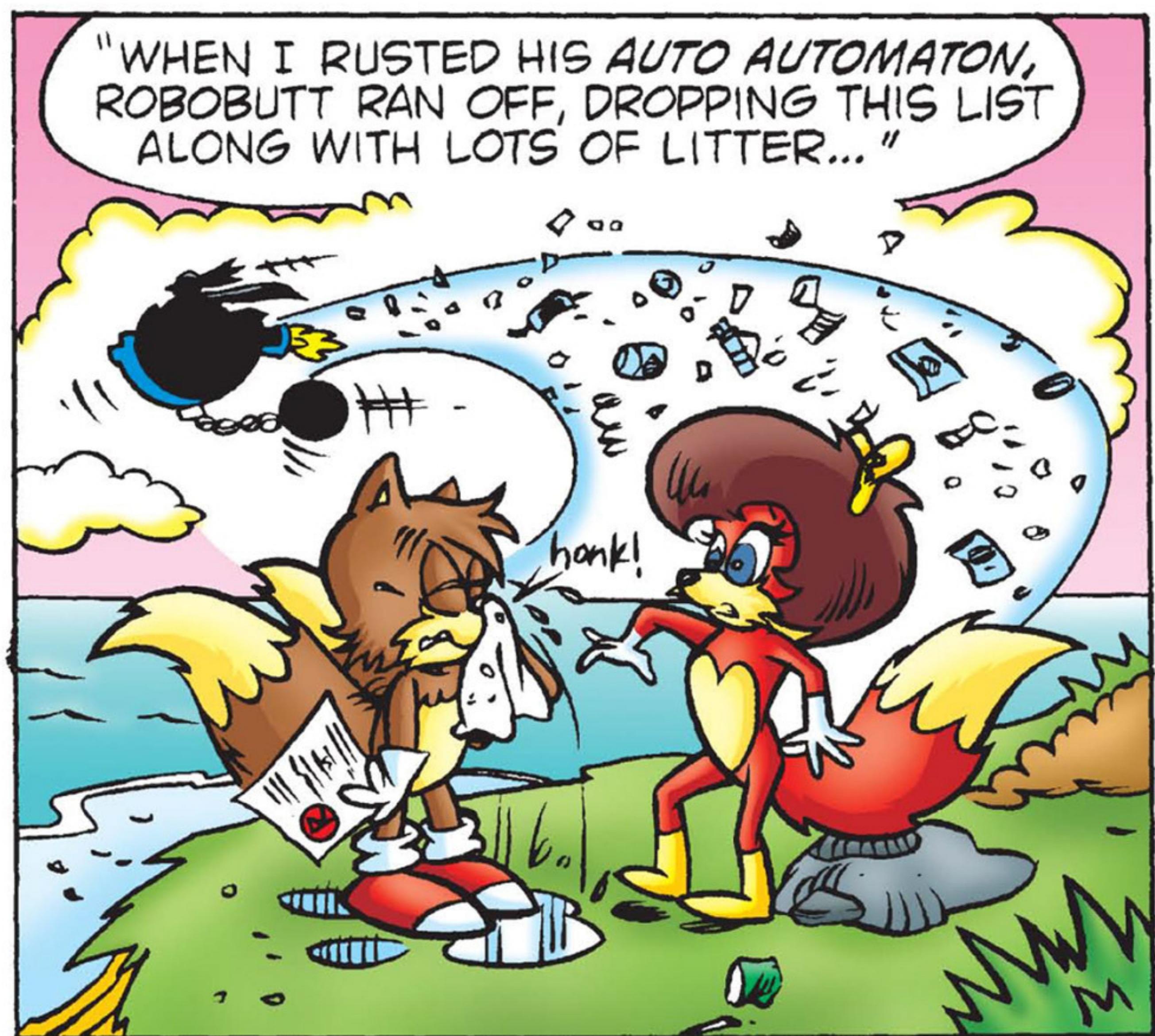
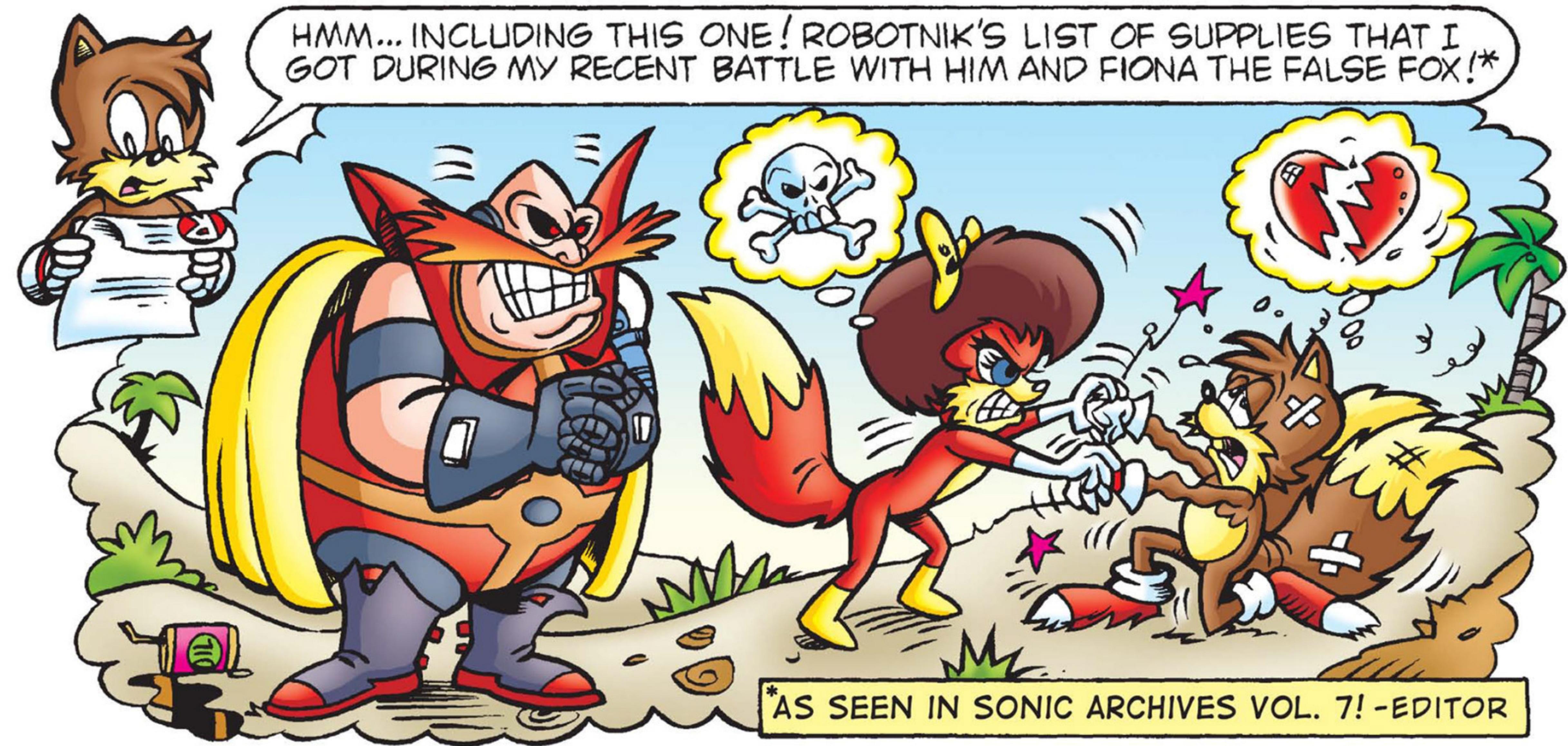
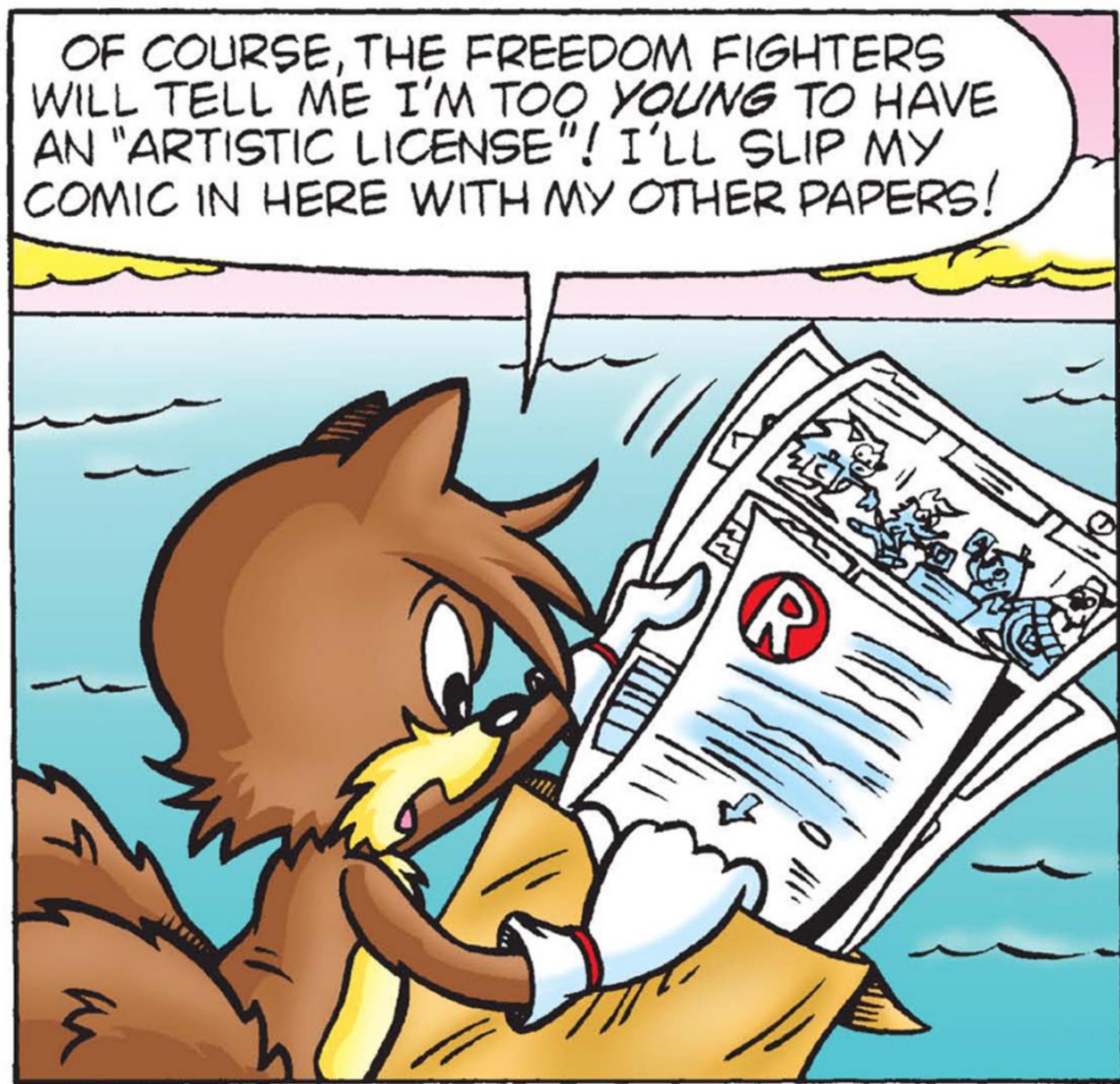
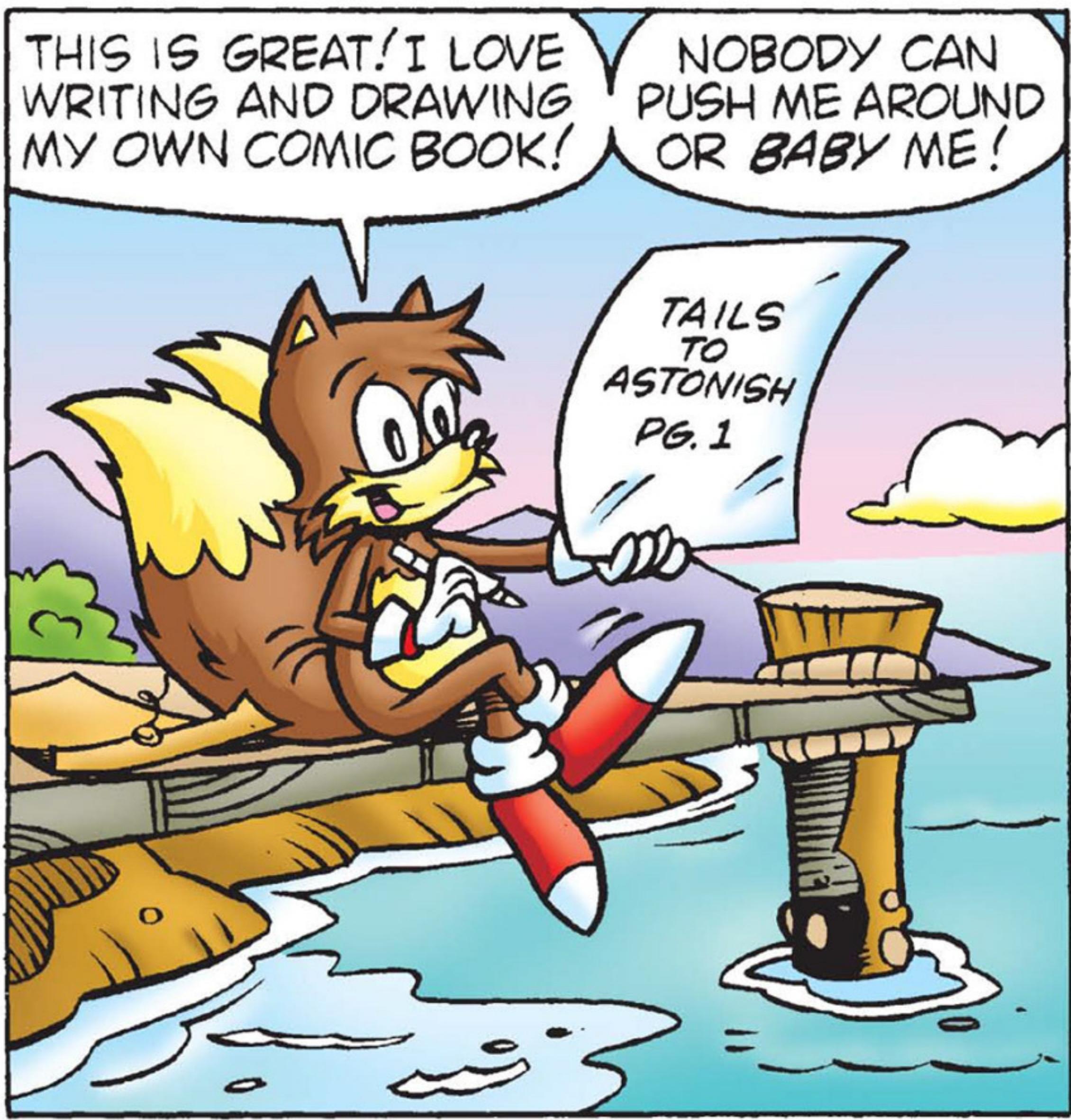


## CAPTAIN SUPER FOX-MAN

THE MUTANT CYBORG  
CLONE!



TAILS TO  
ASTONISH

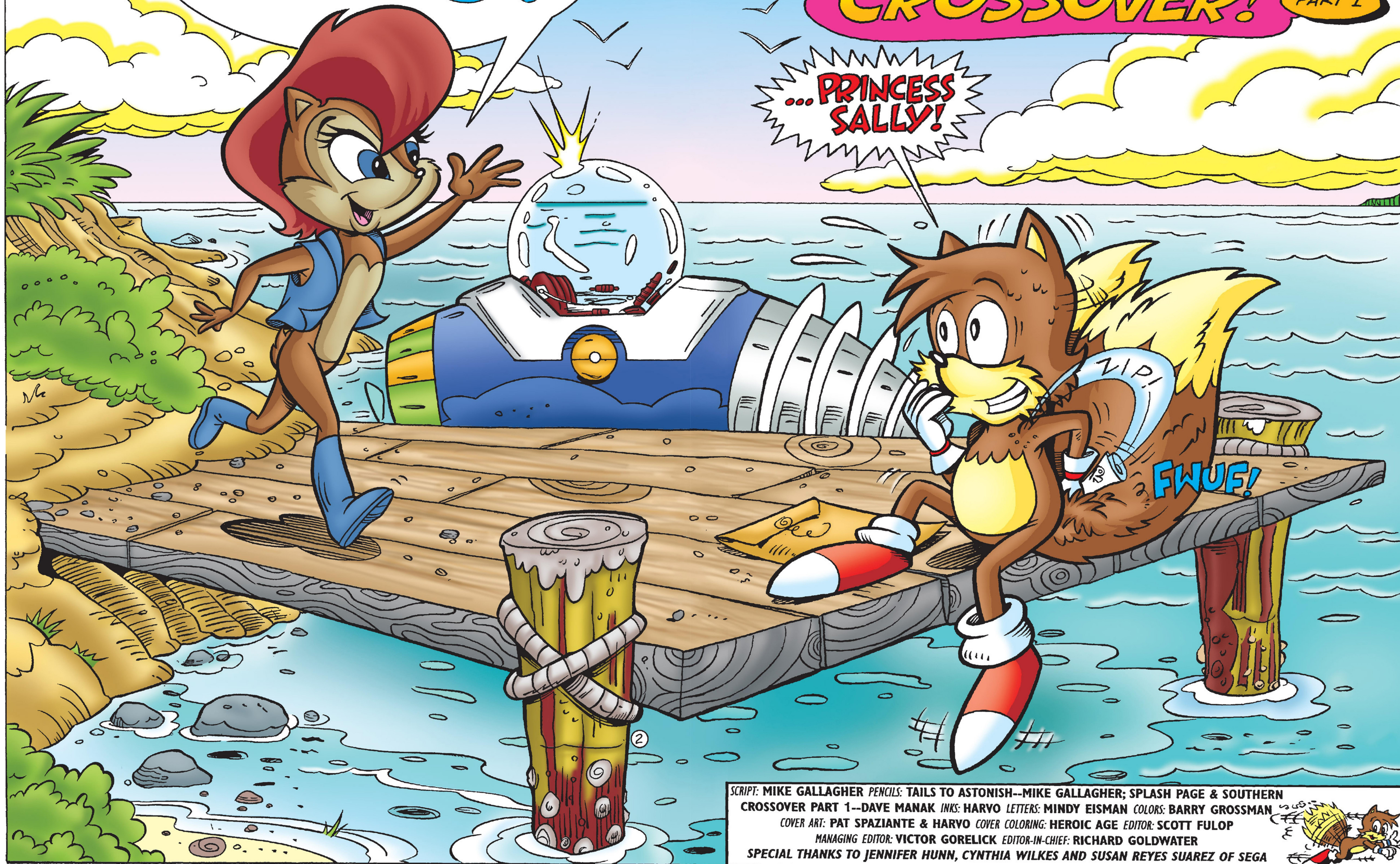


# TAILS! IN

# SOUTHERN CROSSOVER!

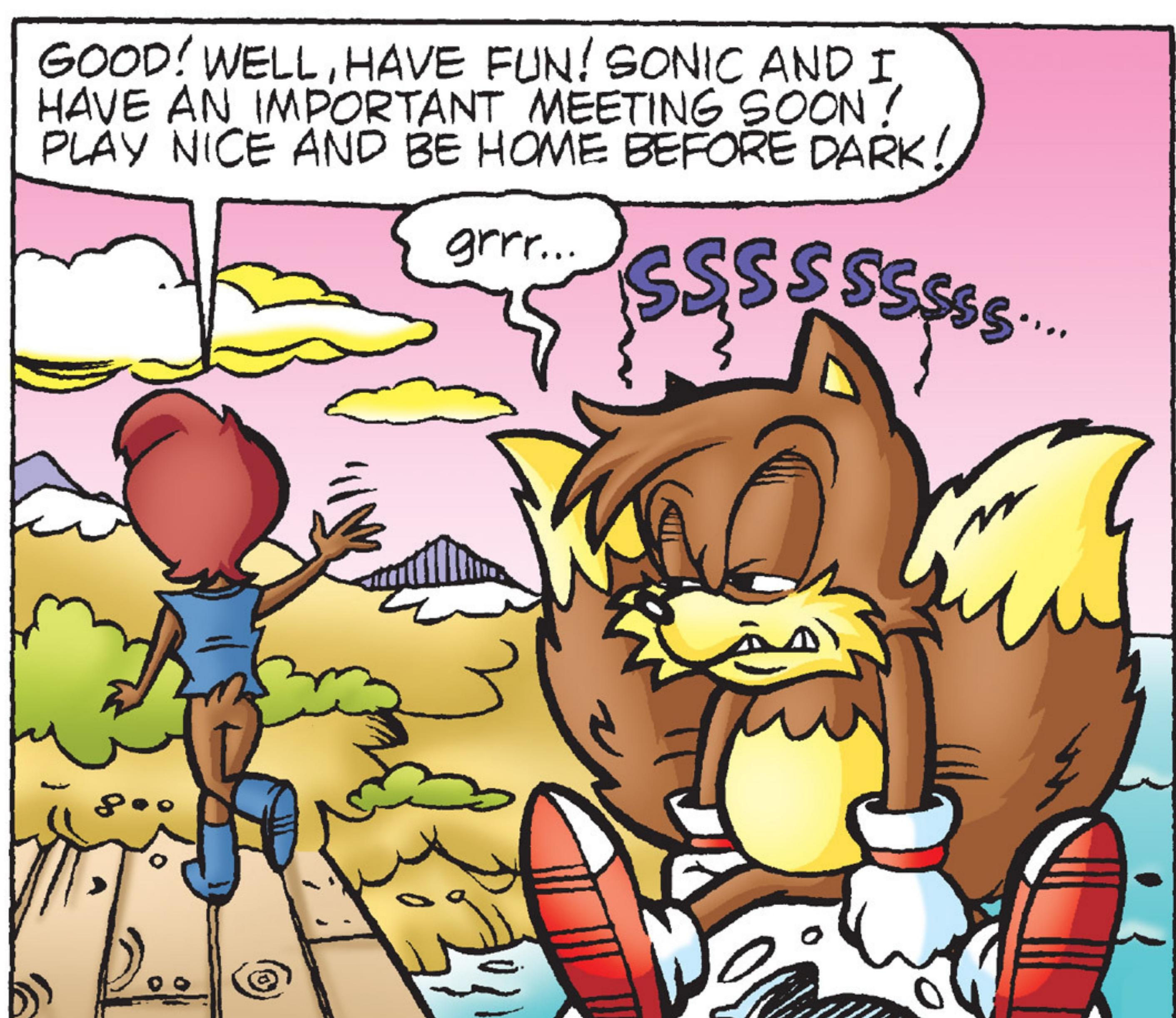
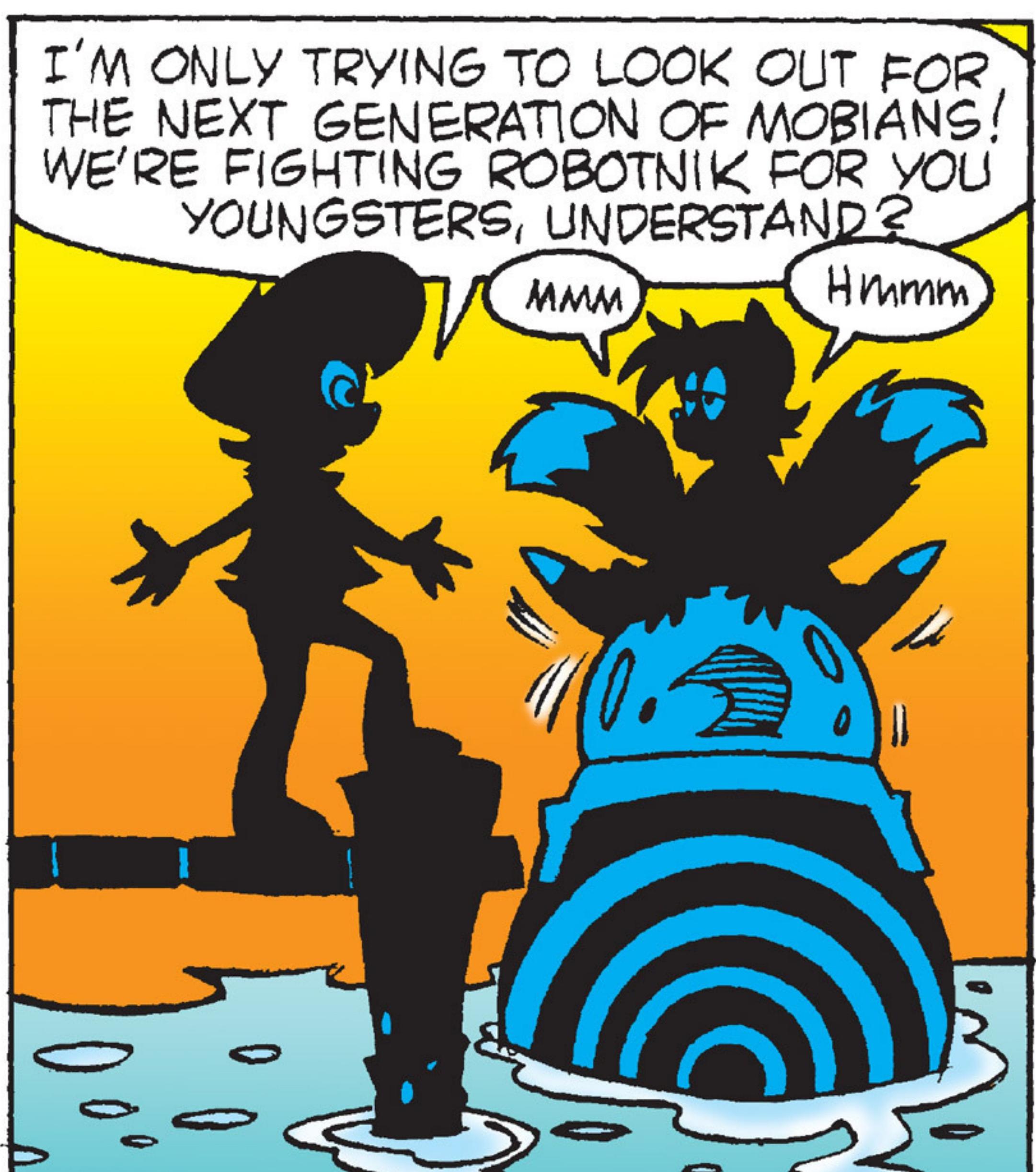
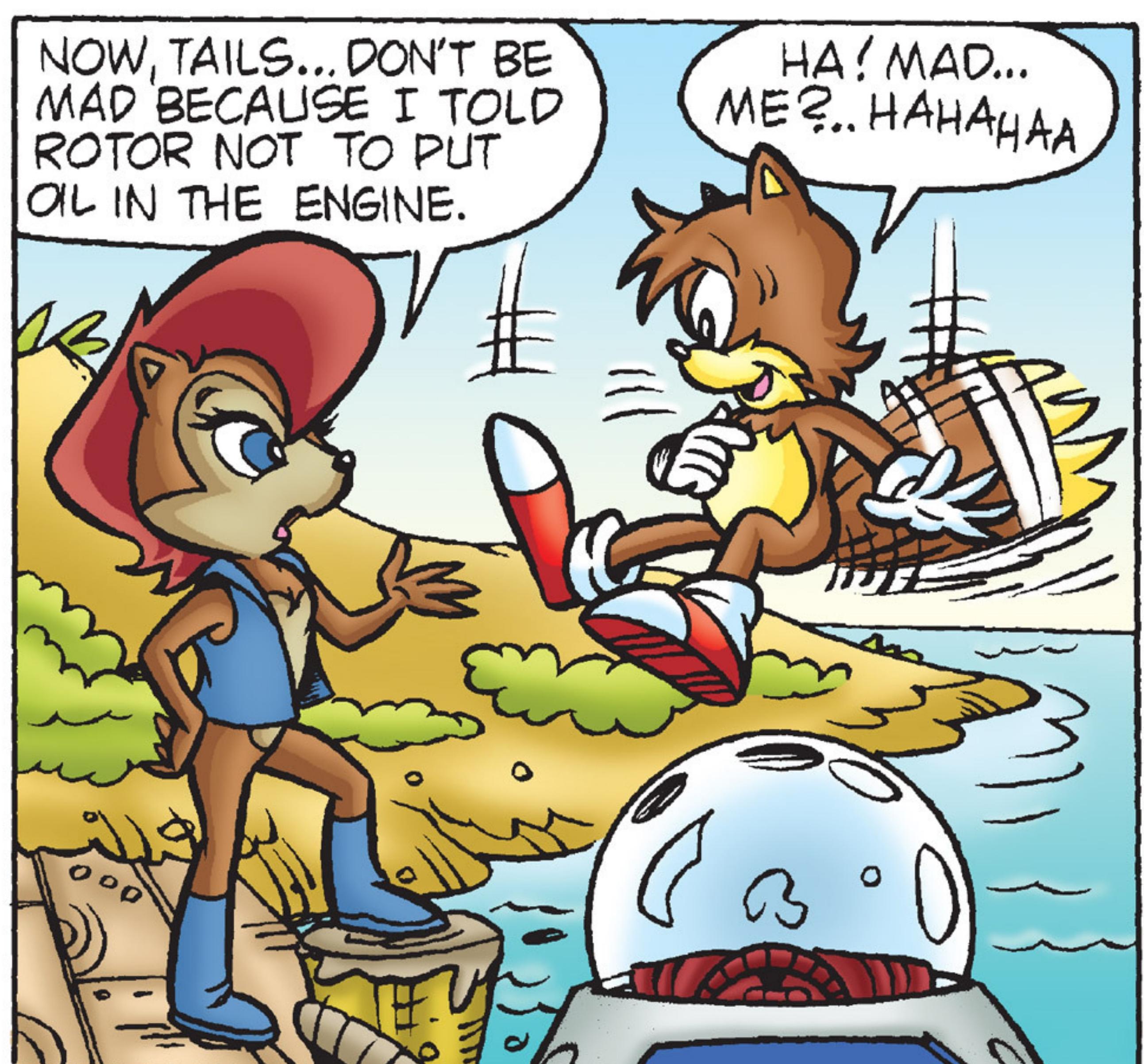
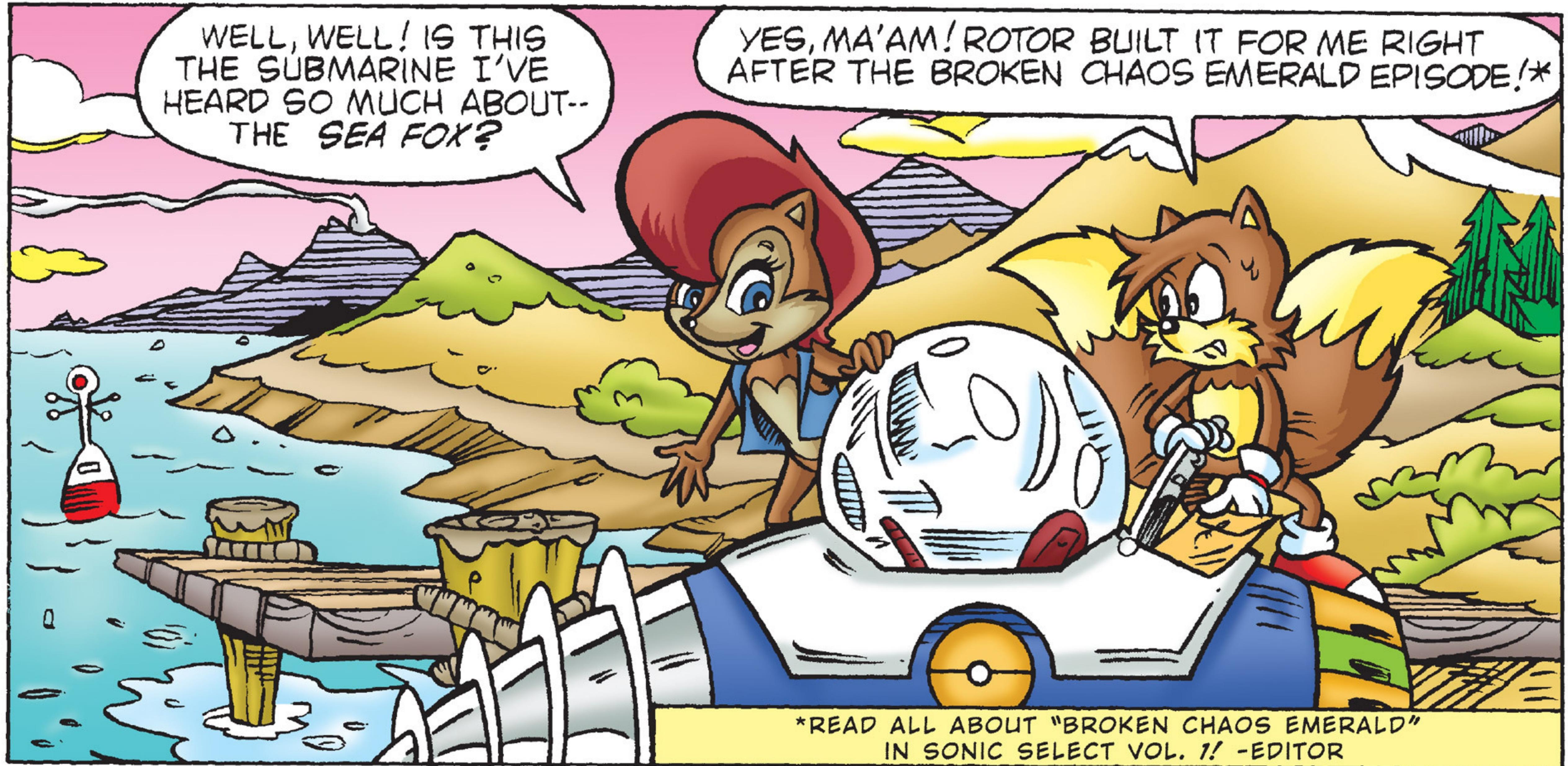
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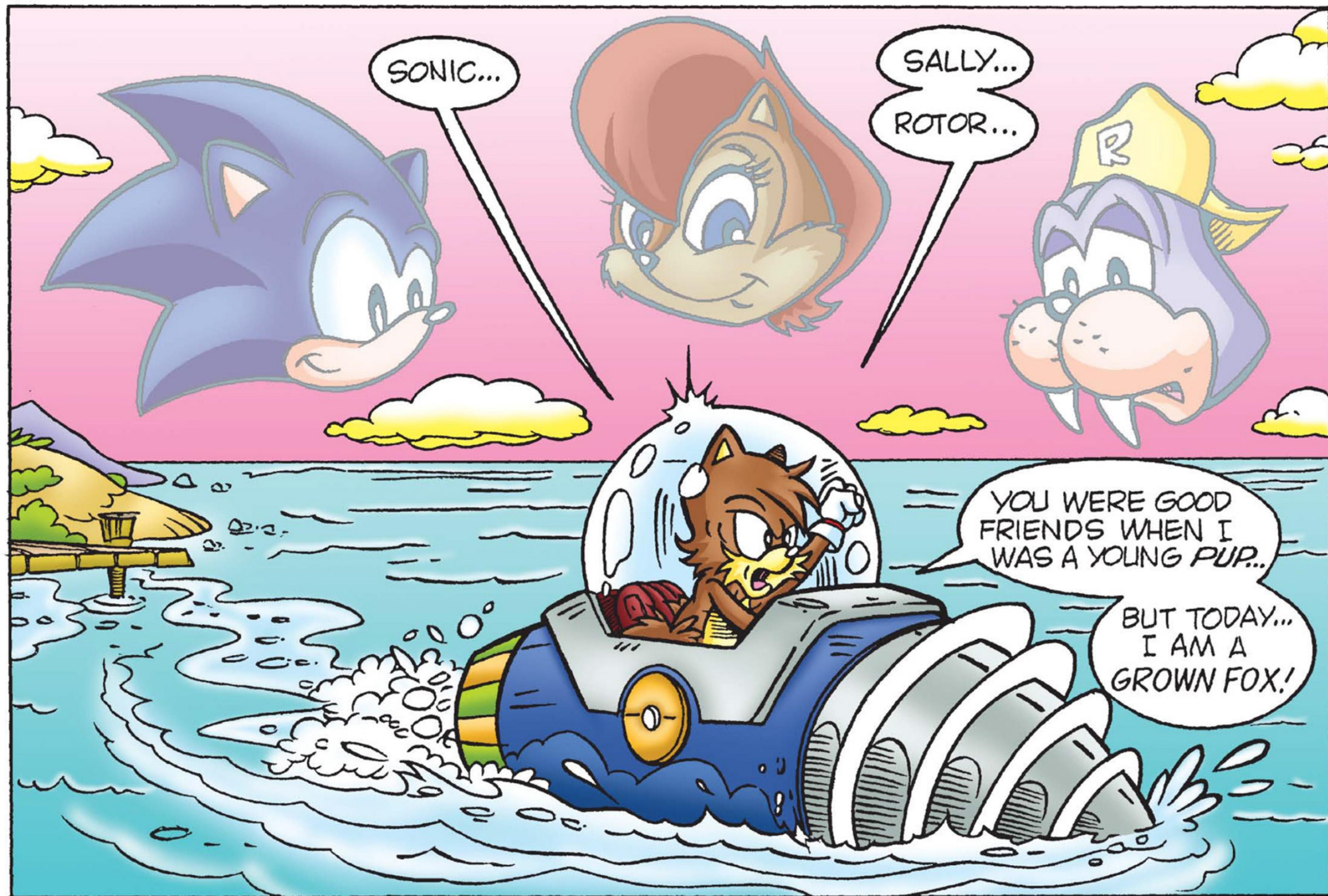
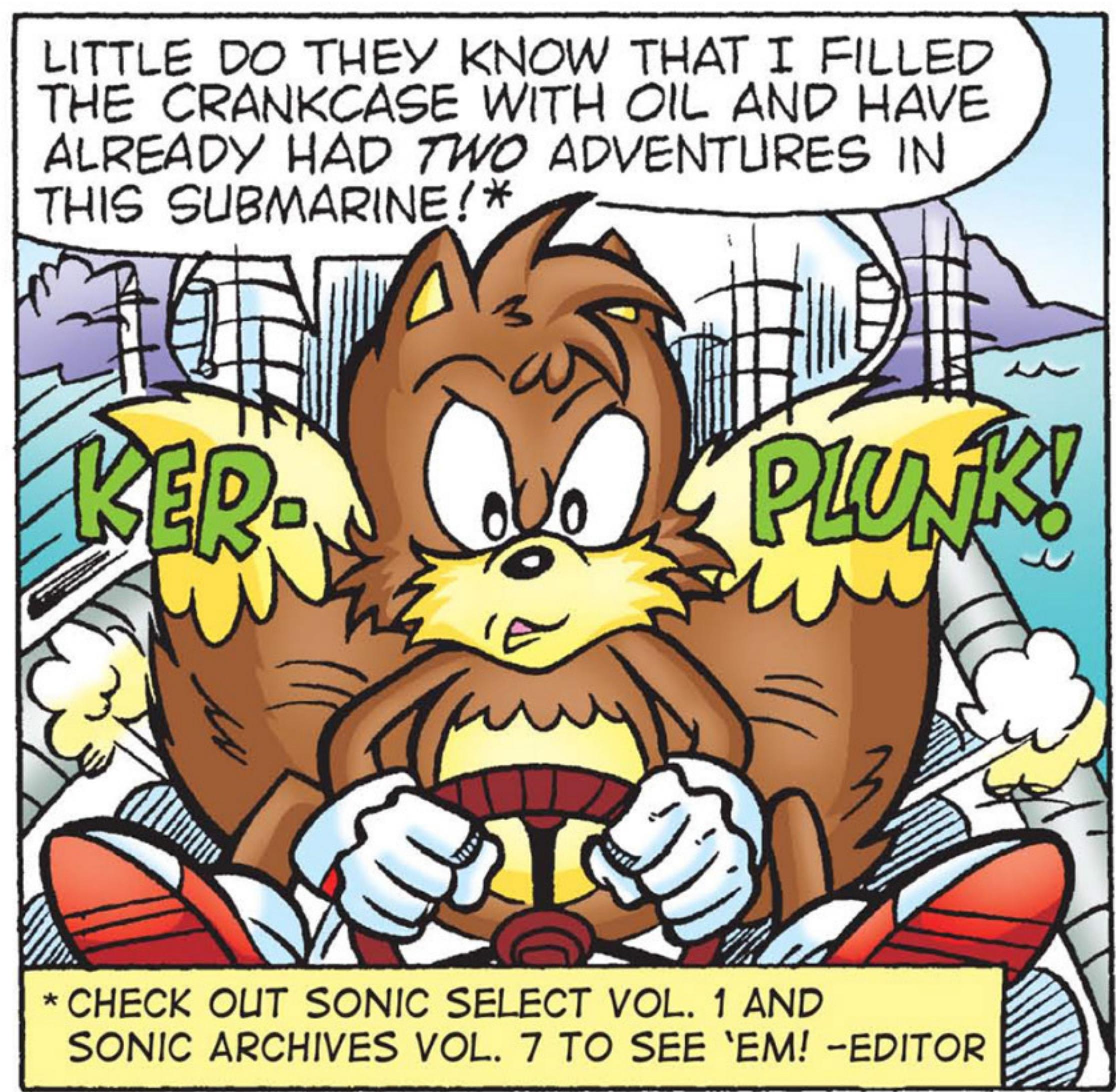
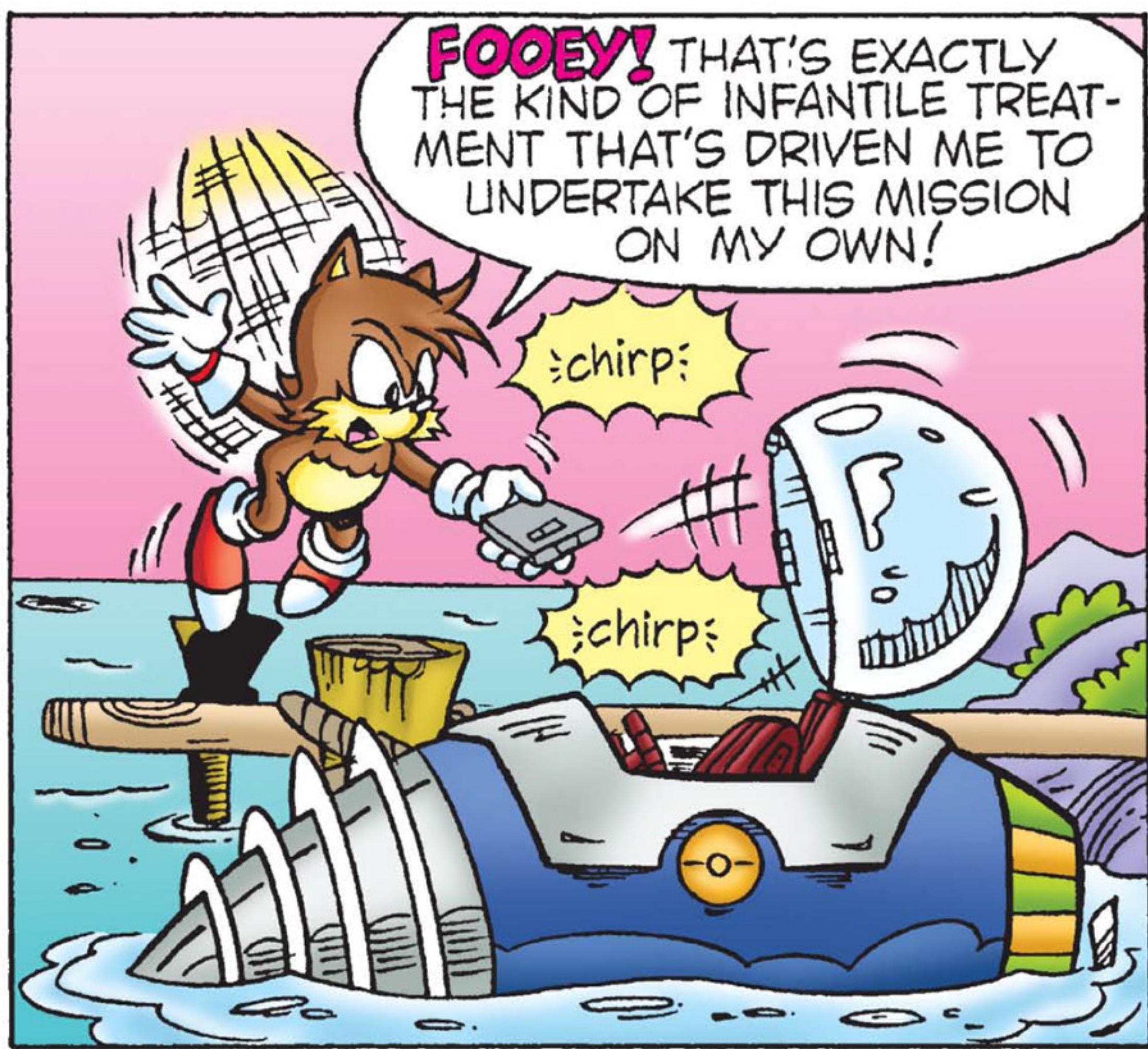
...PRINCESS  
SALLY!

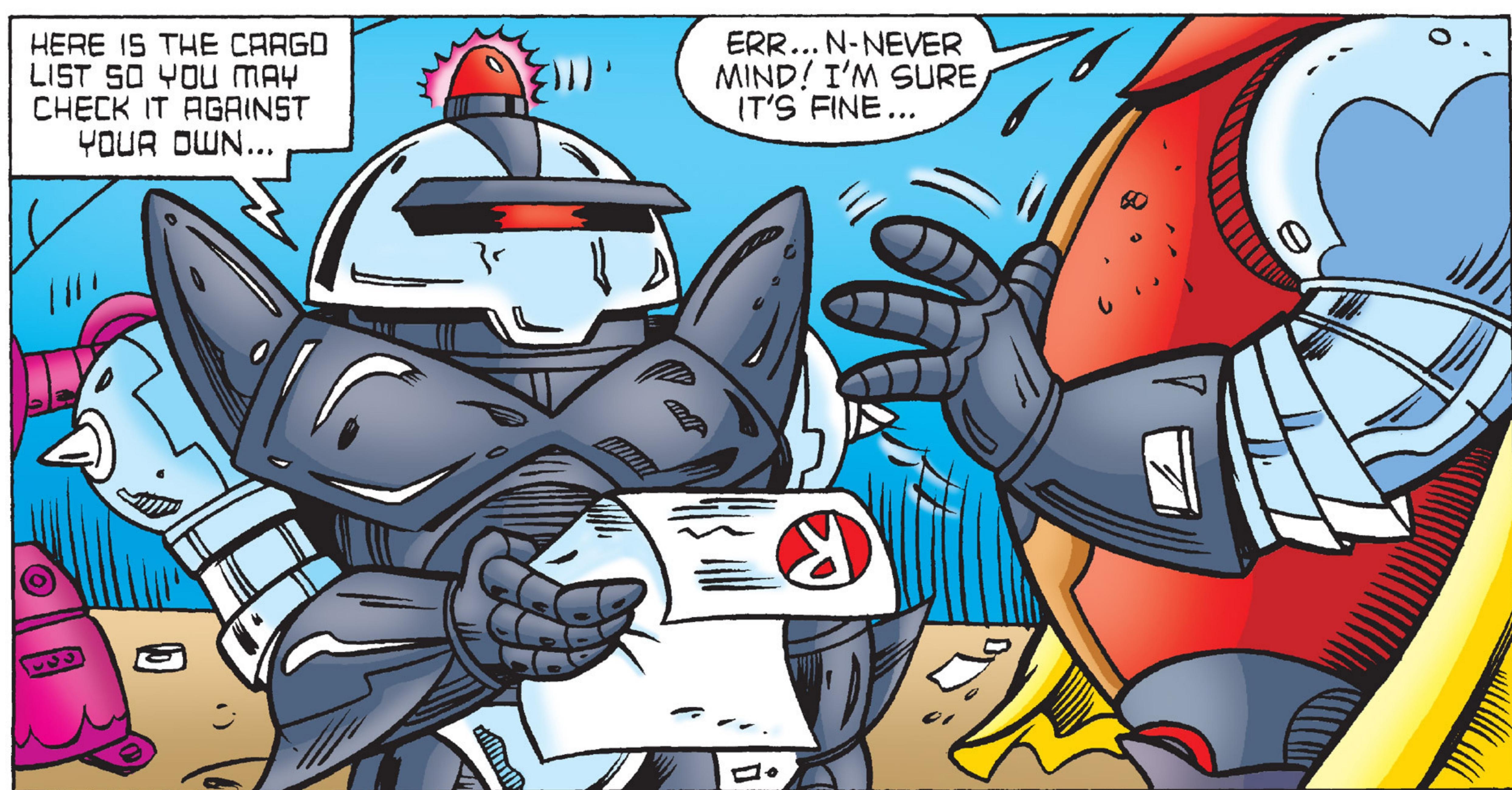
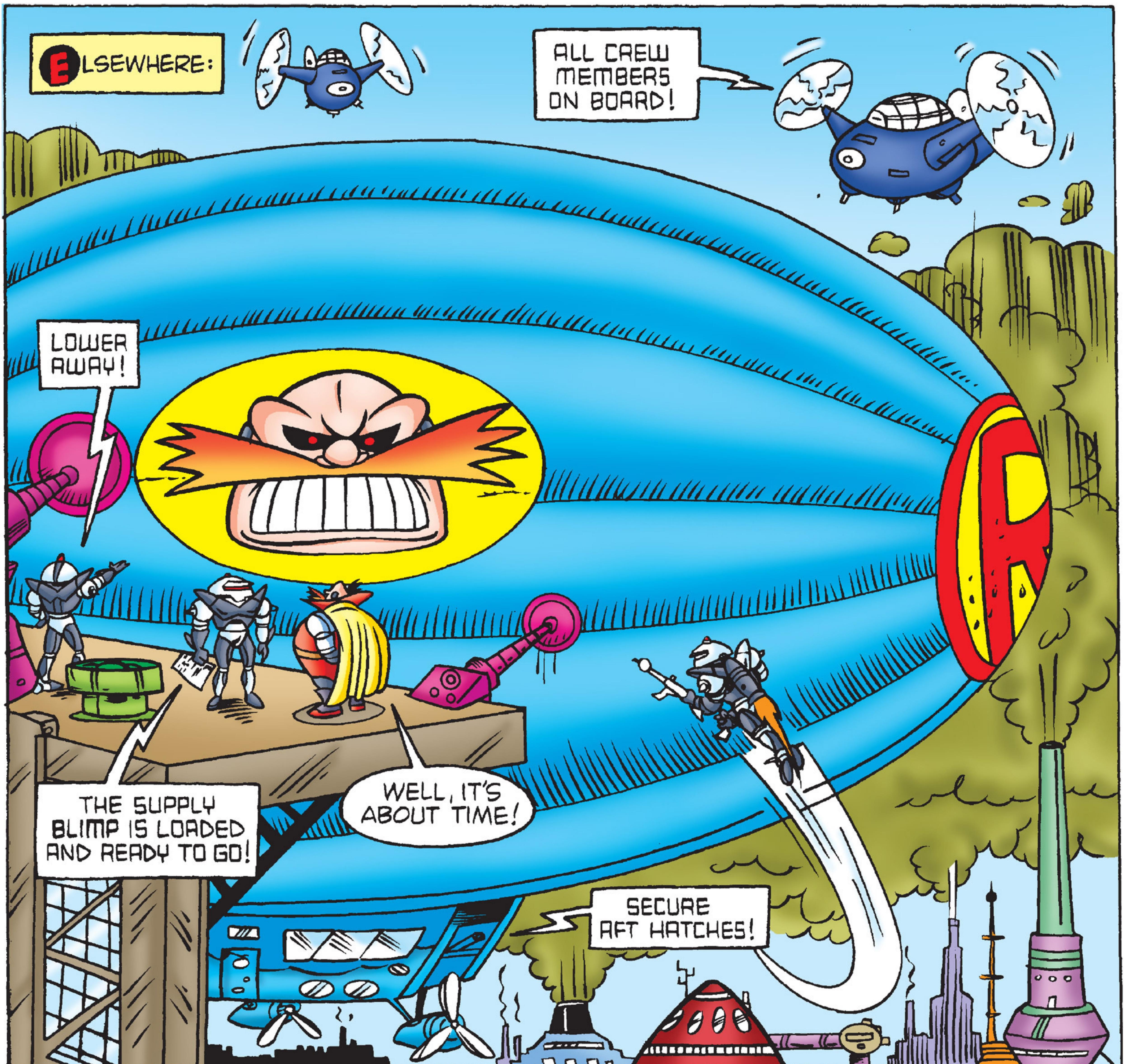


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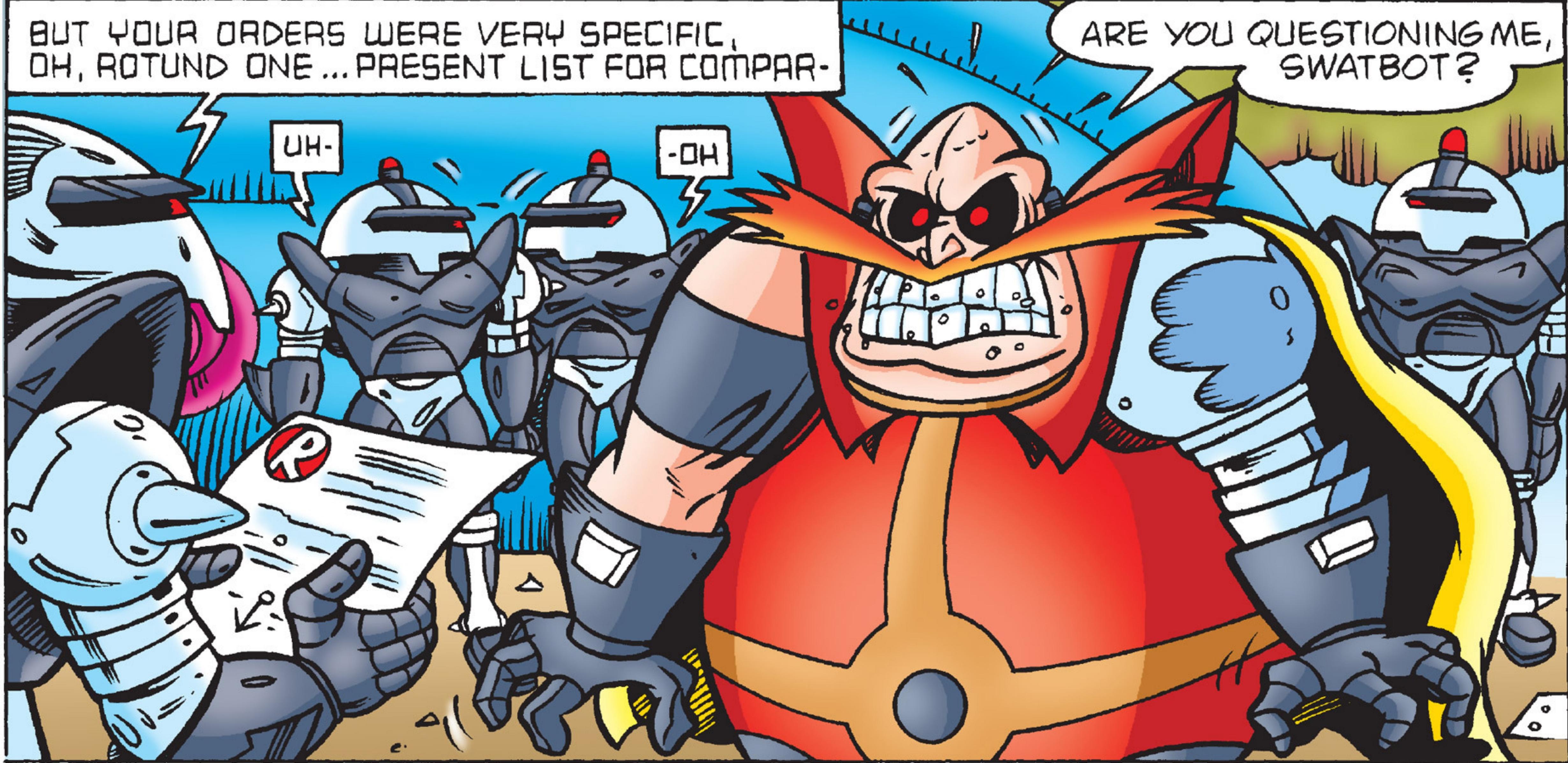






BUT YOUR ORDERS WERE VERY SPECIFIC,  
OH, ROTUND ONE ... PRESENT LIST FOR COMPAR-

ARE YOU QUESTIONING ME,  
SWATBOT?



AS MY OLD FRIEND DARTH  
WOULD SAY: "I FIND YOUR  
LACK OF FAITH DISTURBING!"

HOOOH-OHHH!

gurk!



CRUMBLE!

MASH...

SQISH! COMPRESS...



WOULD ANYONE ELSE  
CARE TO CONTRADICT  
THE GREAT DICTATOR  
IVO ROBOTNIK?

ULP!

N-N-NUH-

NOSSIR!

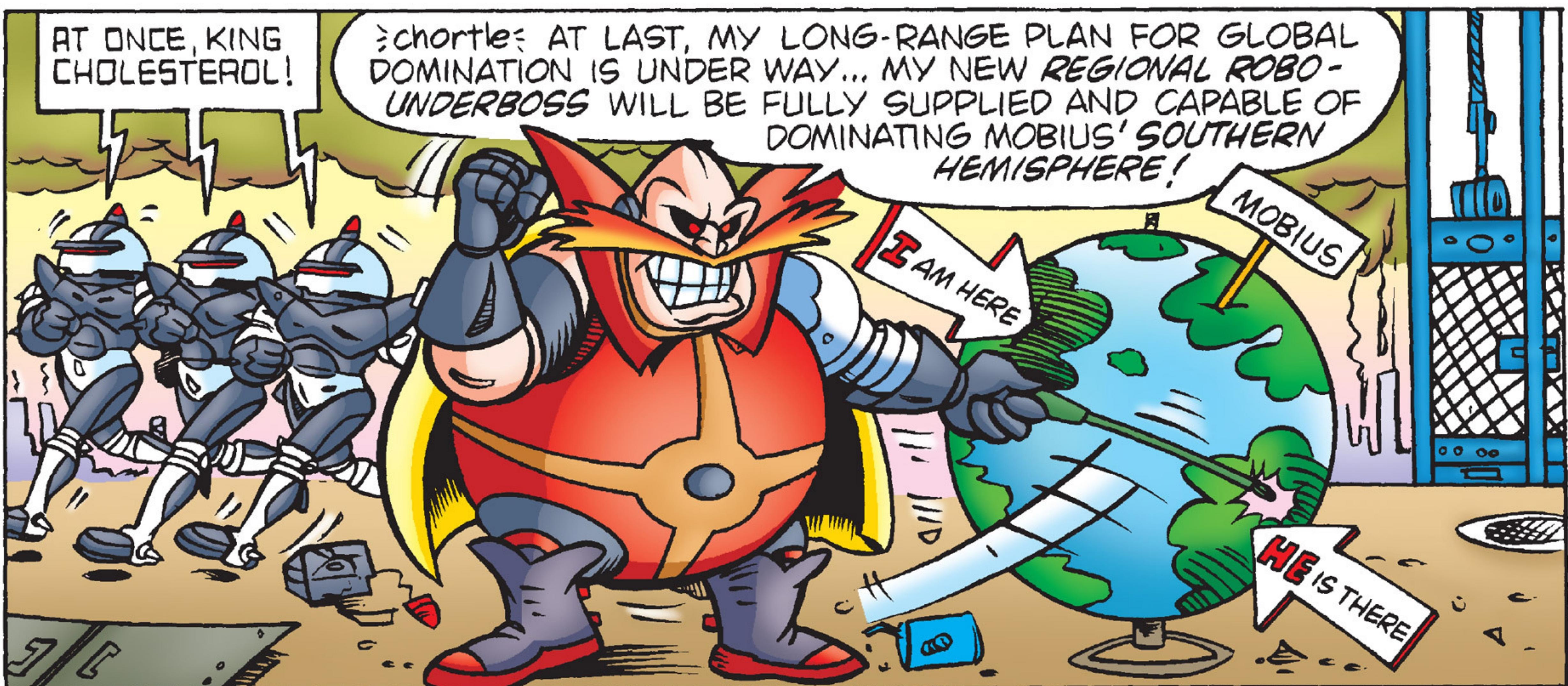


GOOD! NOW YOU TIN-  
HORNS GET ON BOARD AND  
PREPARE FOR TAKEOFF!



AT ONCE, KING CHOLESTEROL!

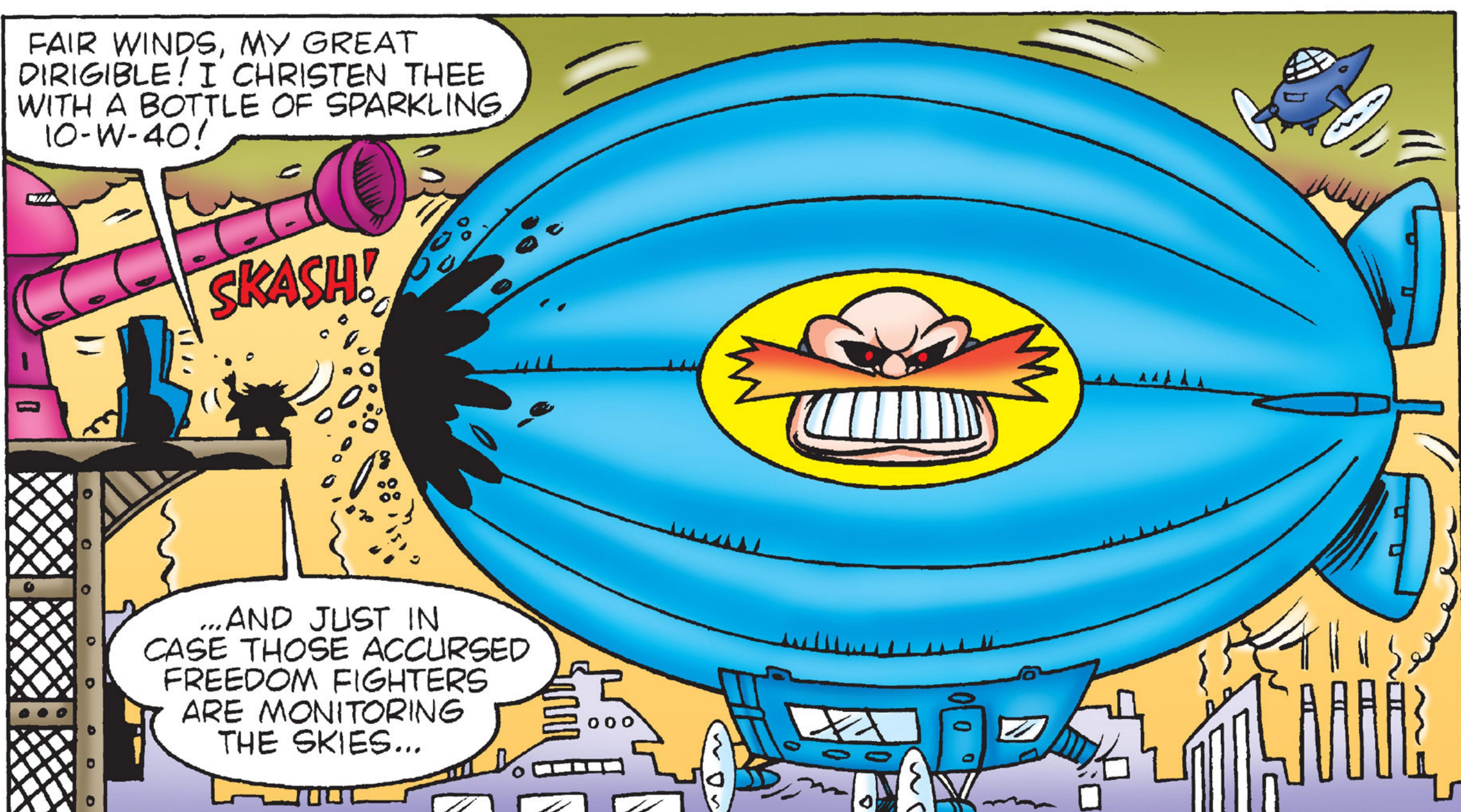
Echortles: AT LAST, MY LONG-RANGE PLAN FOR GLOBAL DOMINATION IS UNDER WAY... MY NEW REGIONAL ROBO-UNDERBOSS WILL BE FULLY SUPPLIED AND CAPABLE OF DOMINATING MOBIUS' SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE!



FAIR WINDS, MY GREAT DIRIGIBLE! I CHRISTEN THEE WITH A BOTTLE OF SPARKLING 10-W-40!

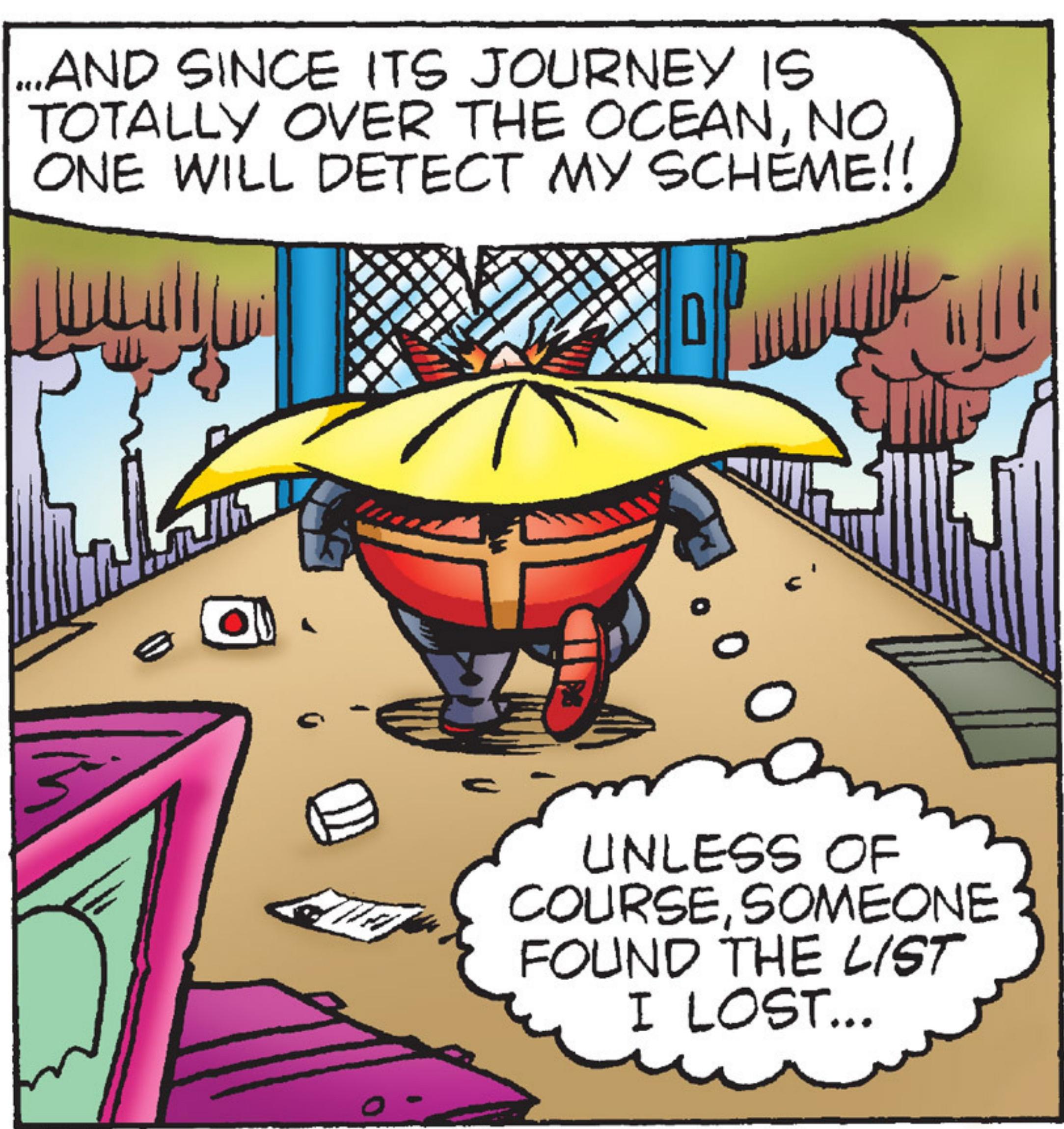
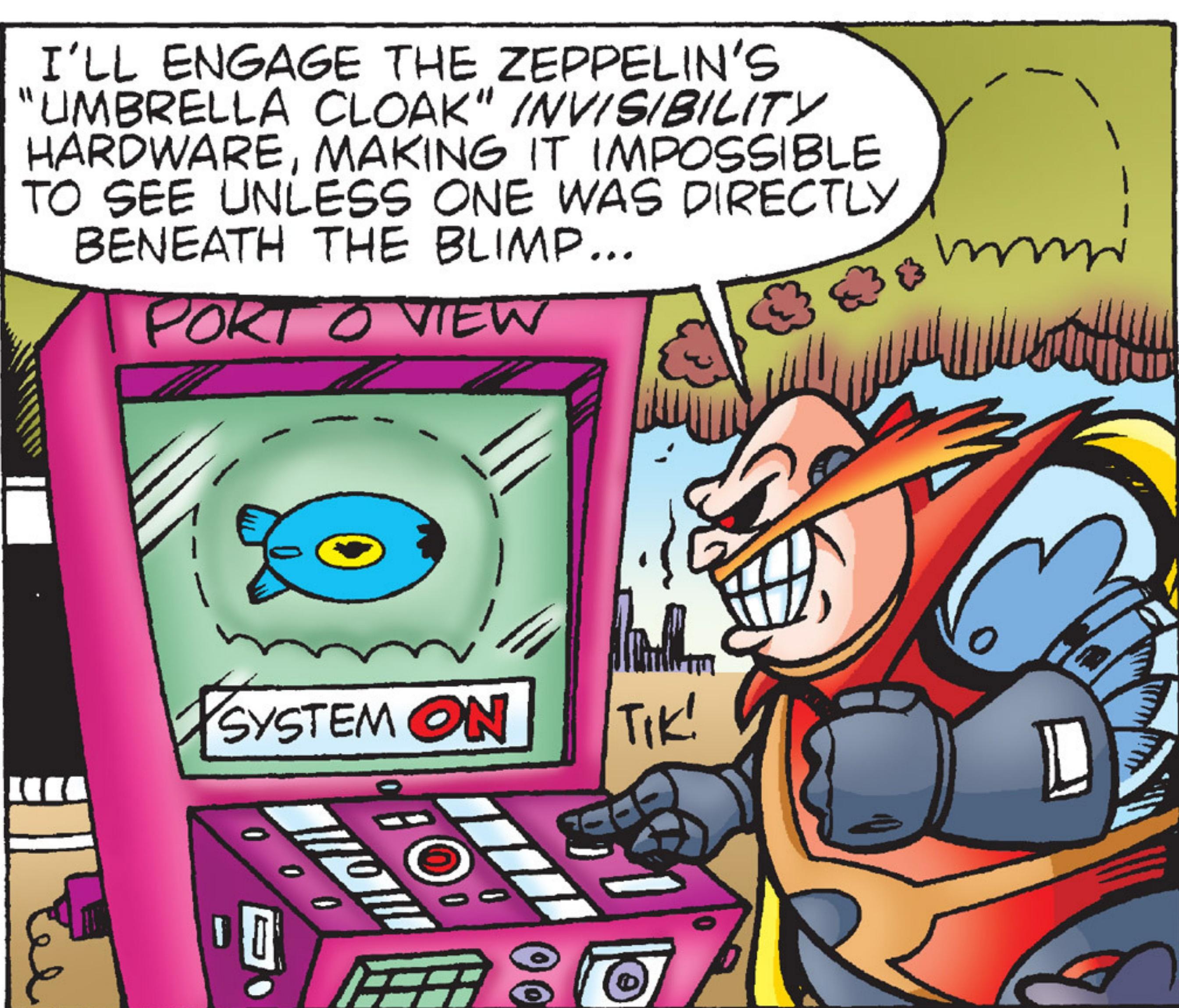
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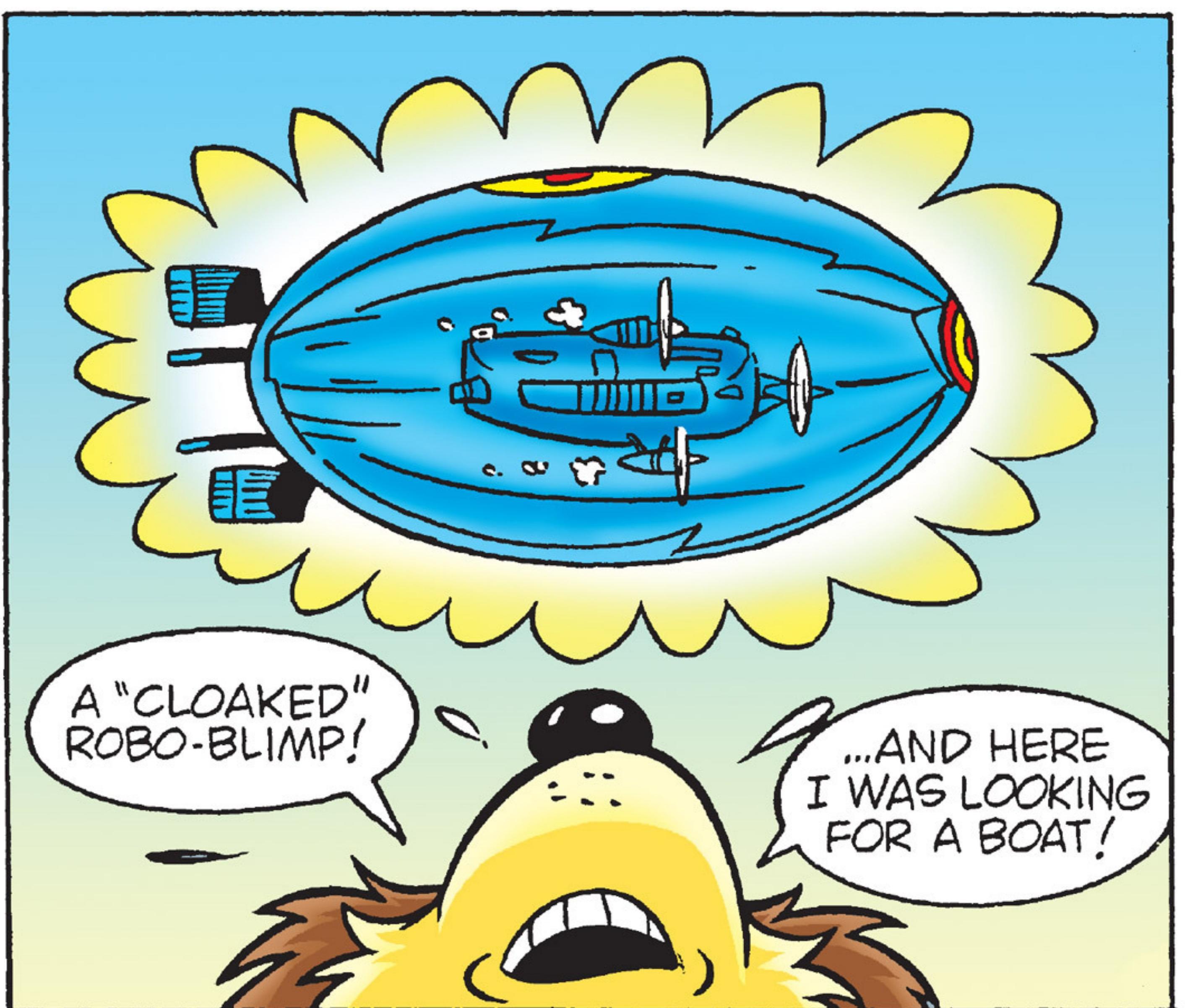
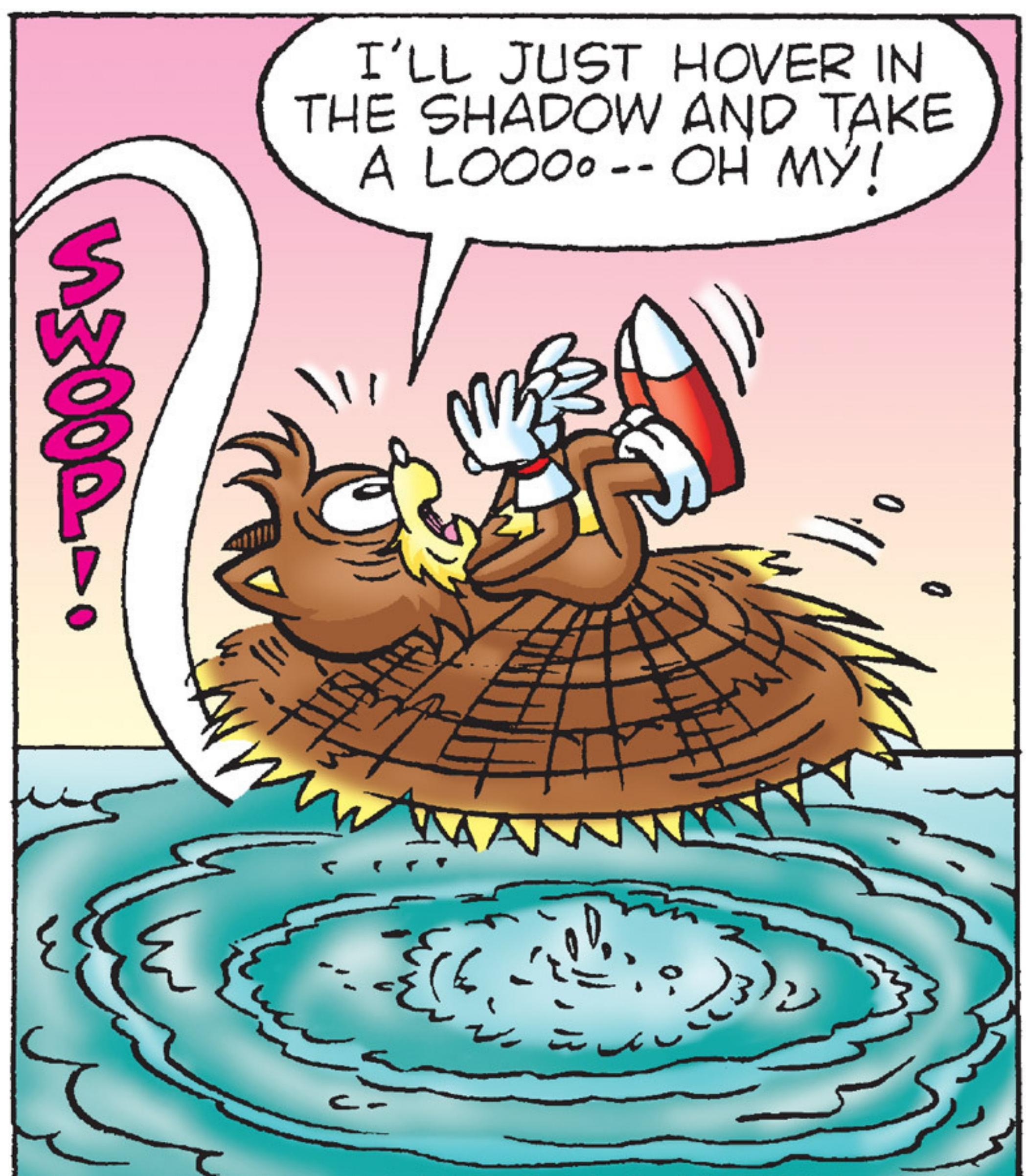
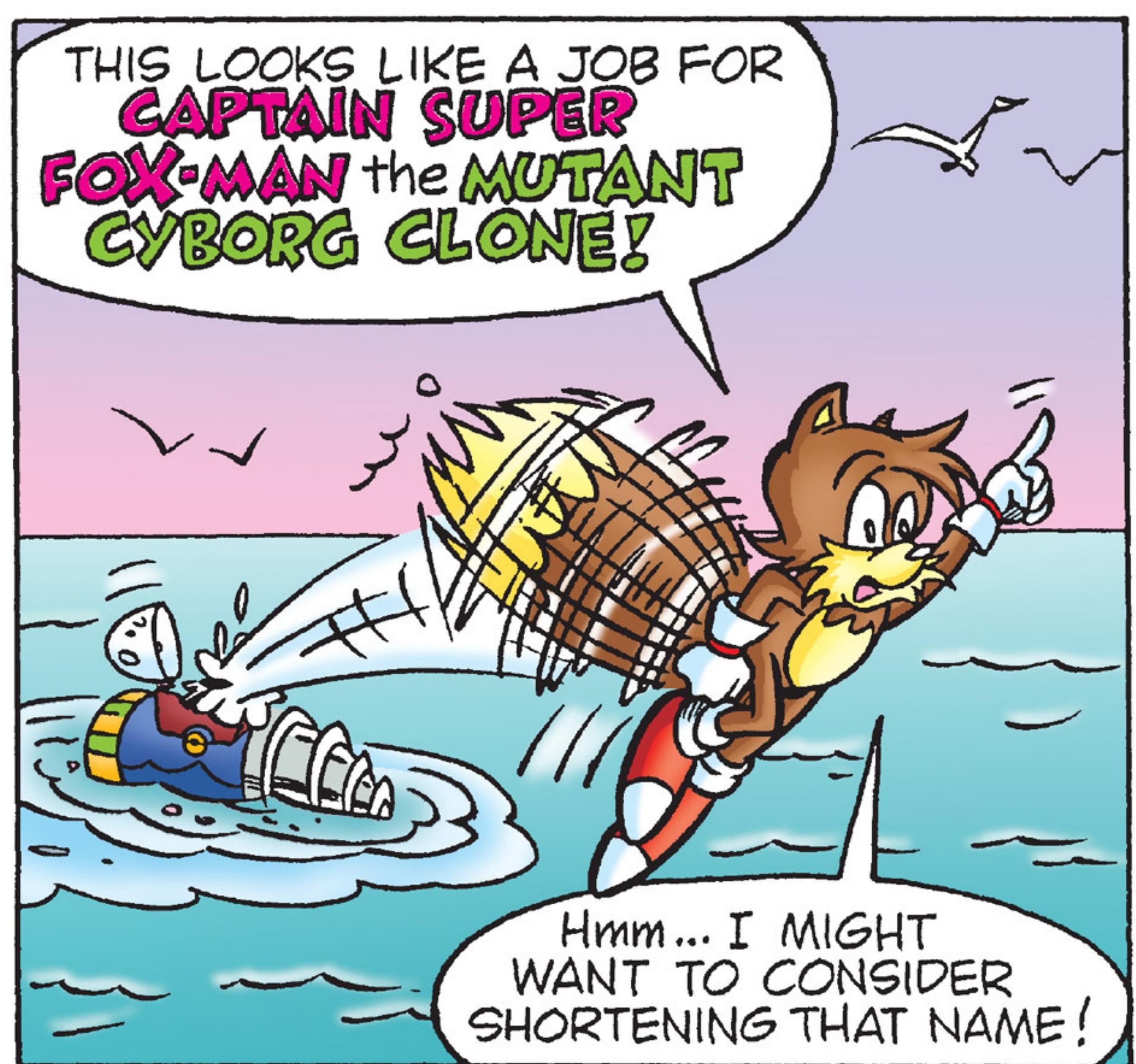
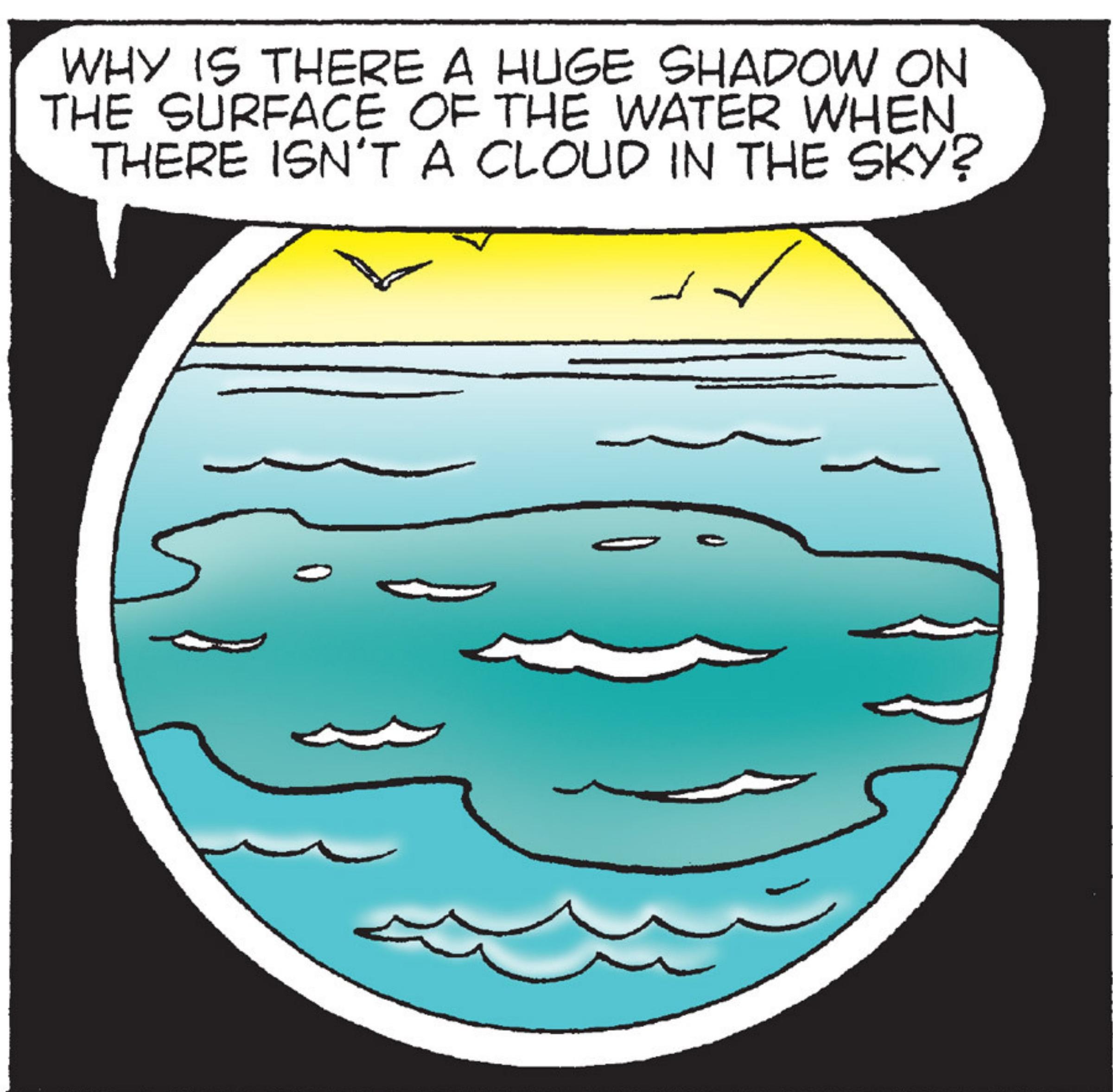
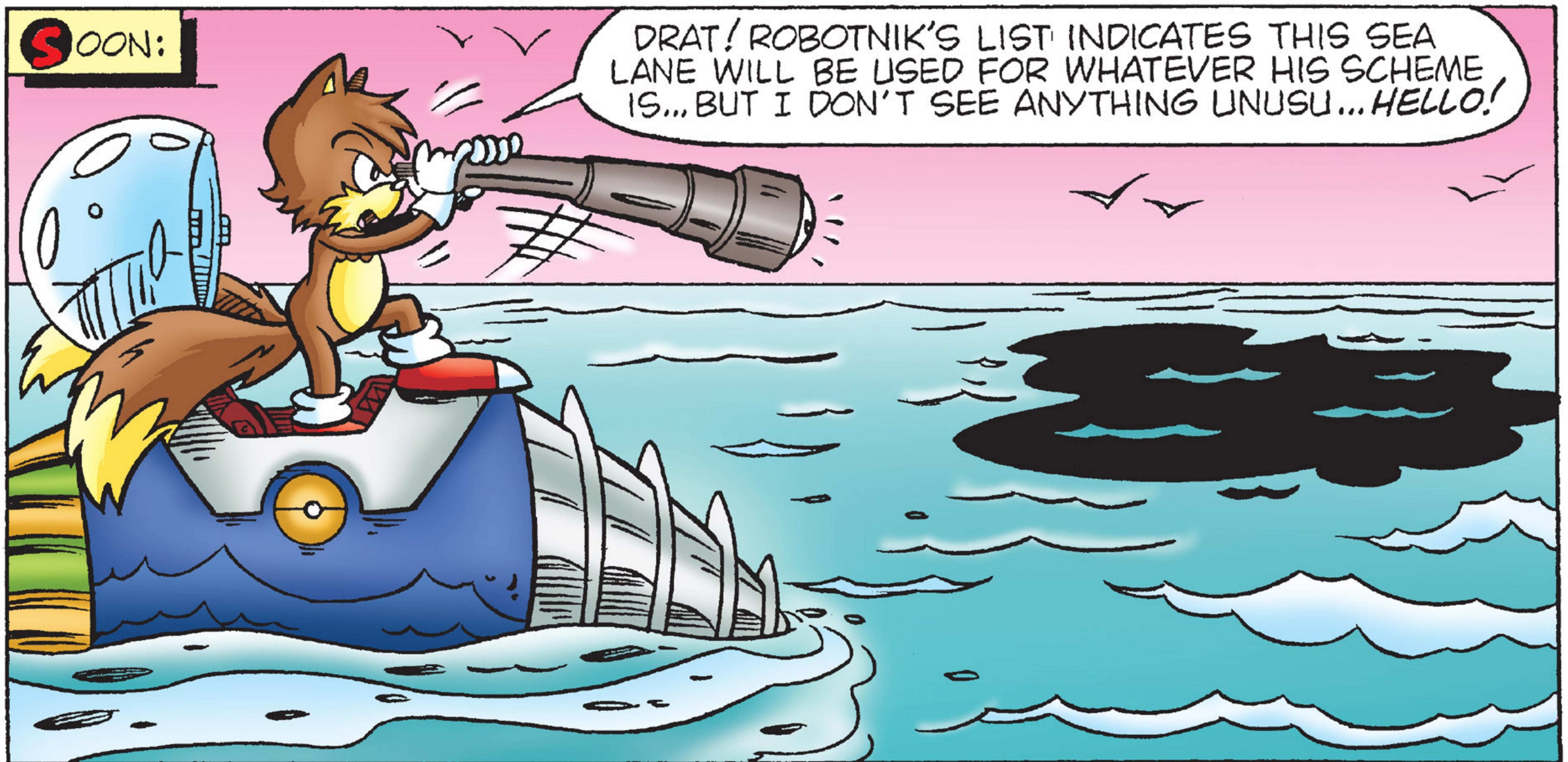
...AND JUST IN CASE THOSE ACCURSED FREEDOM FIGHTERS ARE MONITORING THE SKIES...

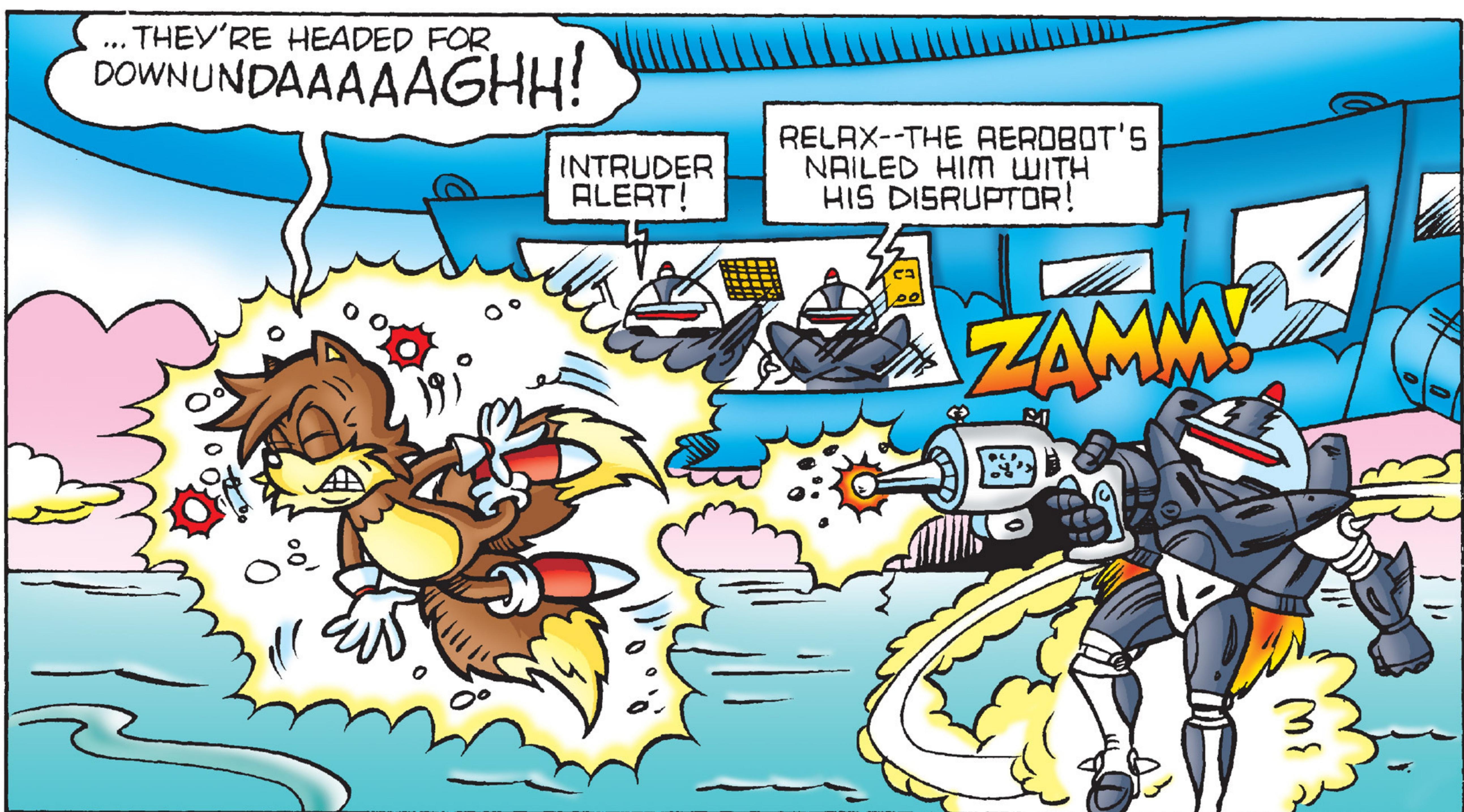
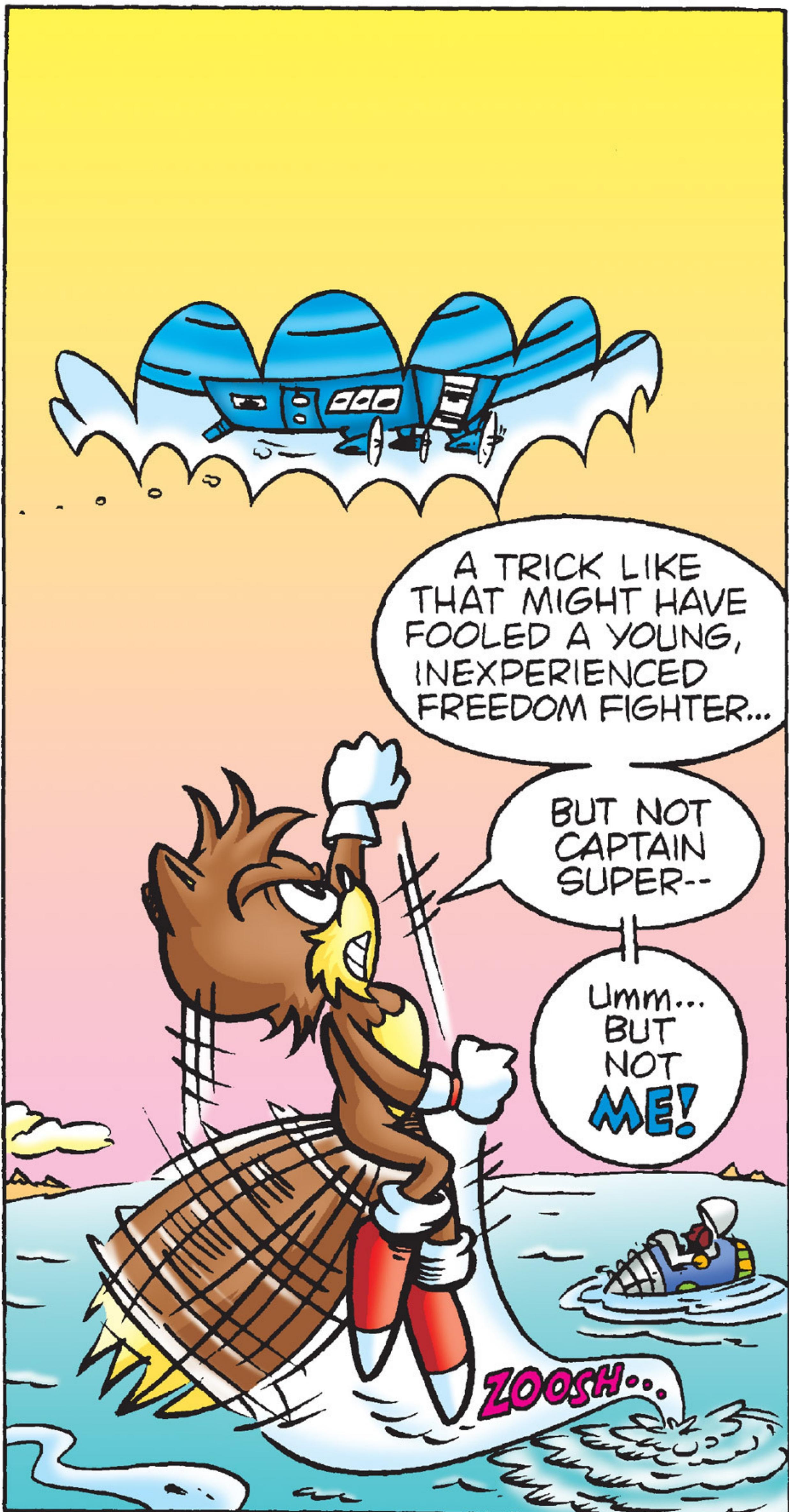


I'LL ENGAGE THE ZEPPELIN'S "UMBRELLA CLOAK" INVISIBILITY HARDWARE, MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE TO SEE UNLESS ONE WAS DIRECTLY BENEATH THE BLIMP...

...AND SINCE ITS JOURNEY IS TOTALLY OVER THE OCEAN, NO ONE WILL DETECT MY SCHEME!!







AEROBOT--  
PURSUE AND  
DESTROY!

AFFIRMATIVE--  
SUMMON STARBOARD  
UNIT TO ASSIST--

WHOO! JUST IN TIME!  
UH-OH...HERE COME TWO  
AIRBORNE SWATBOTS!

UHHH...  
HEADING  
FOR  
THE  
DRINK...  
MUST  
RECOVER...

ACQUIRING TARGET--

--LOCKED-LOADED!

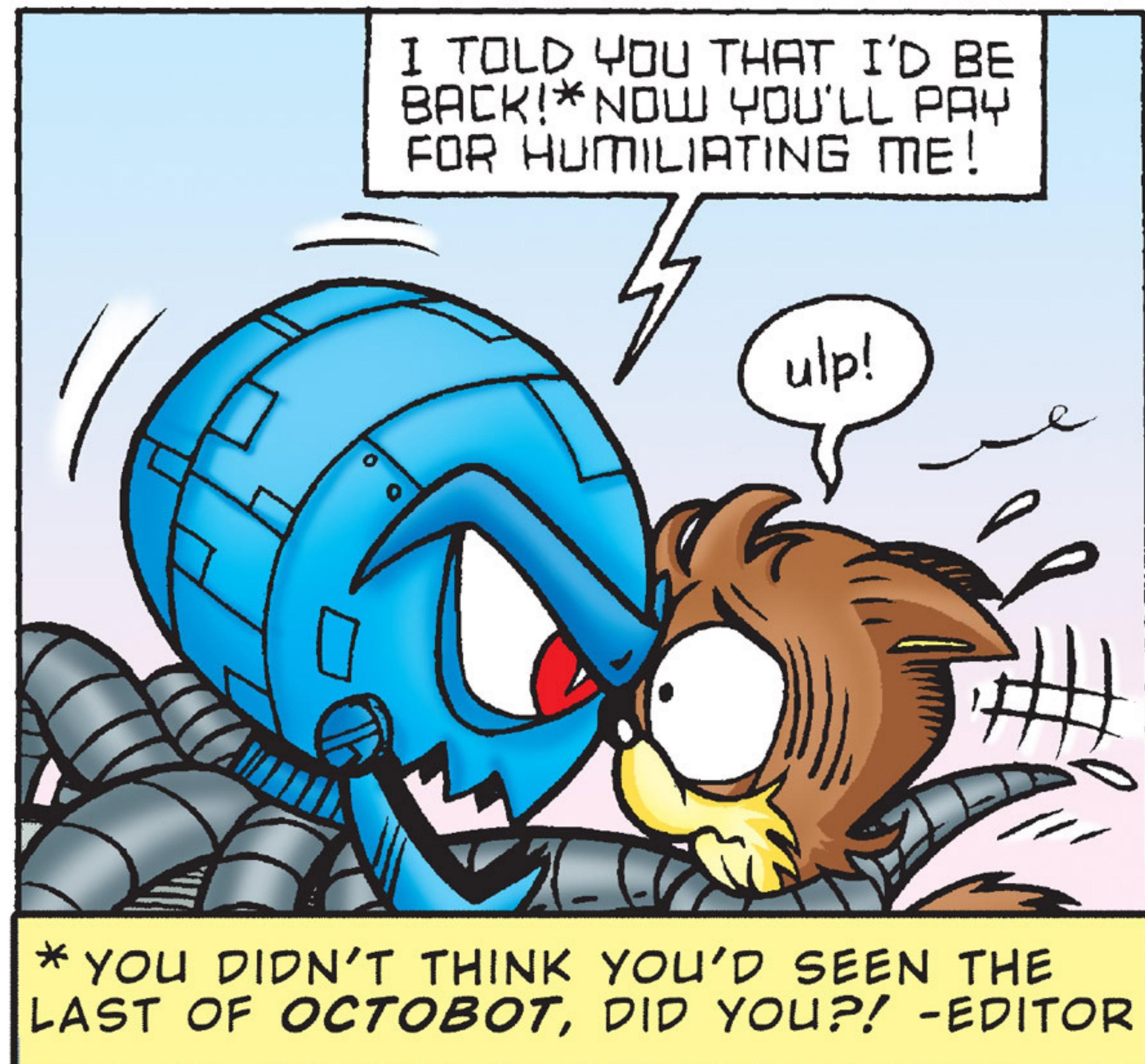
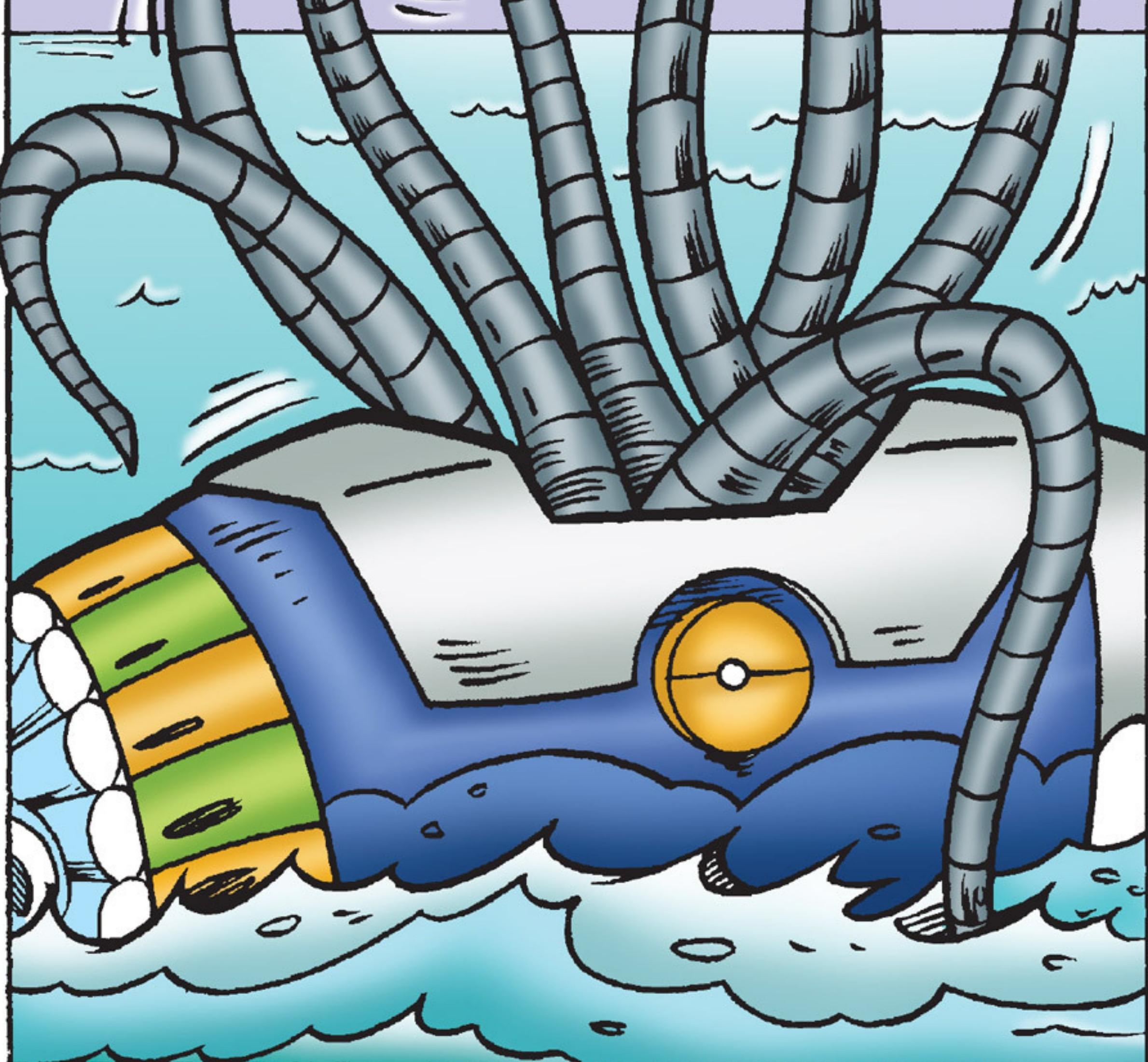
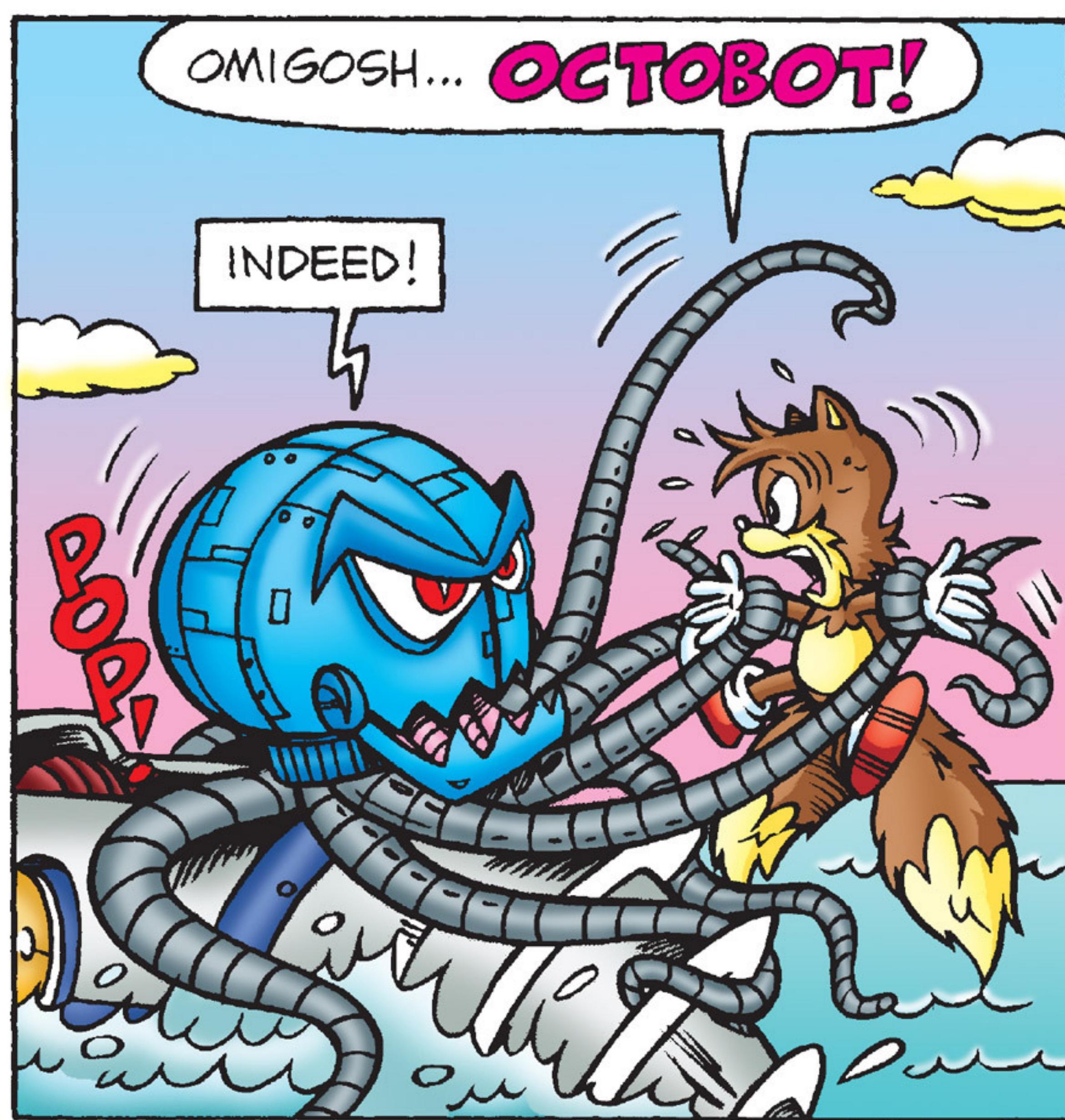
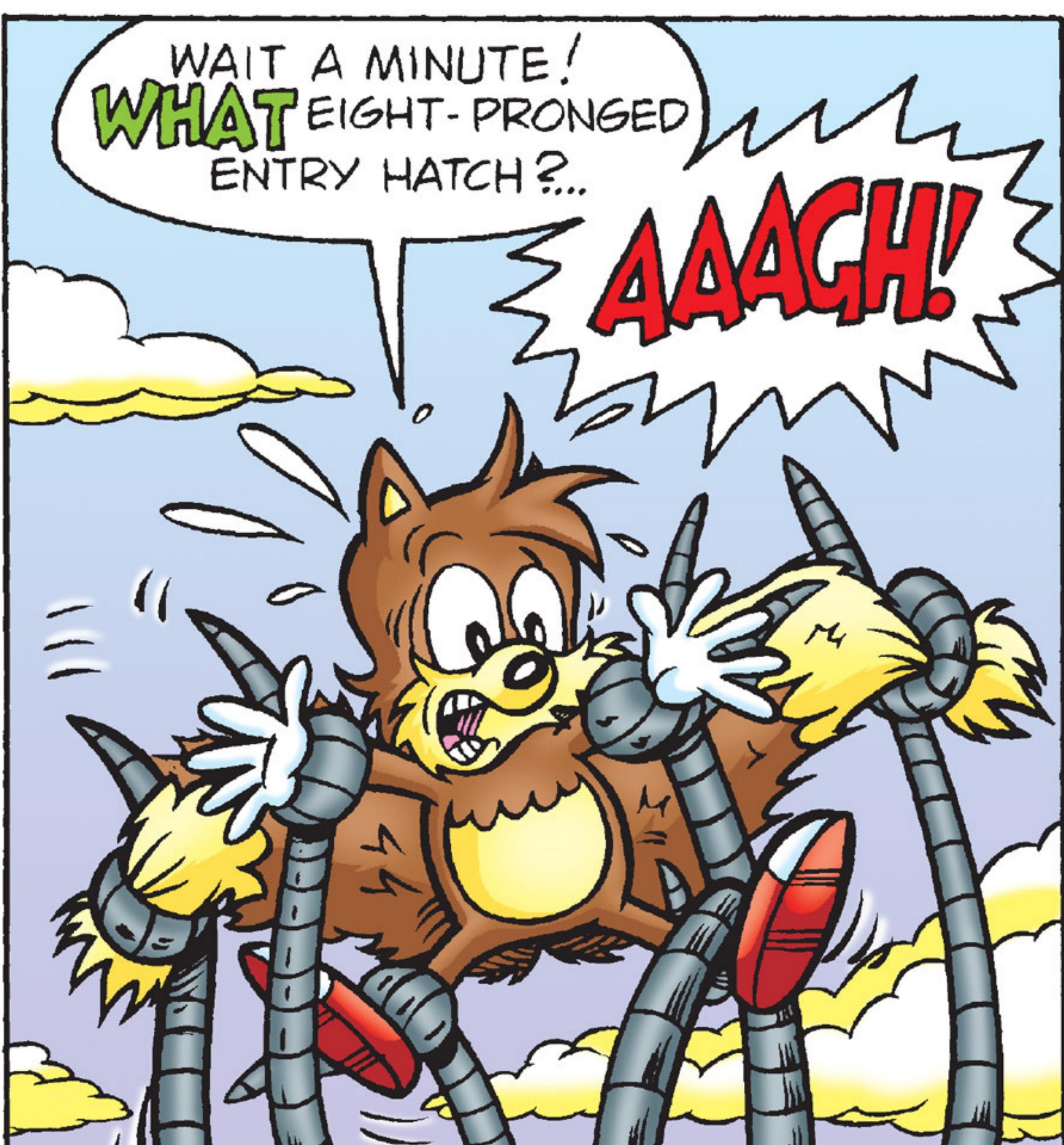
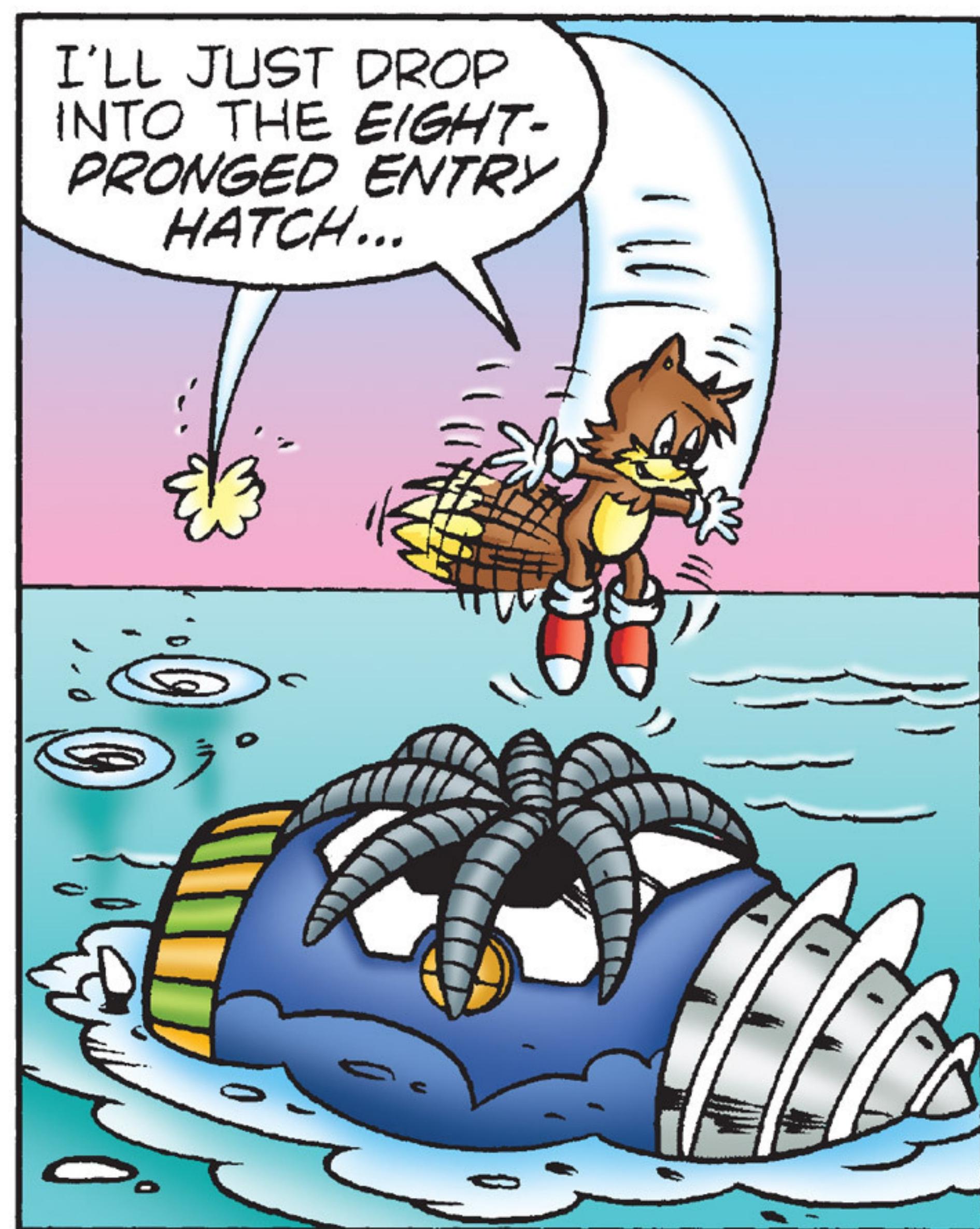
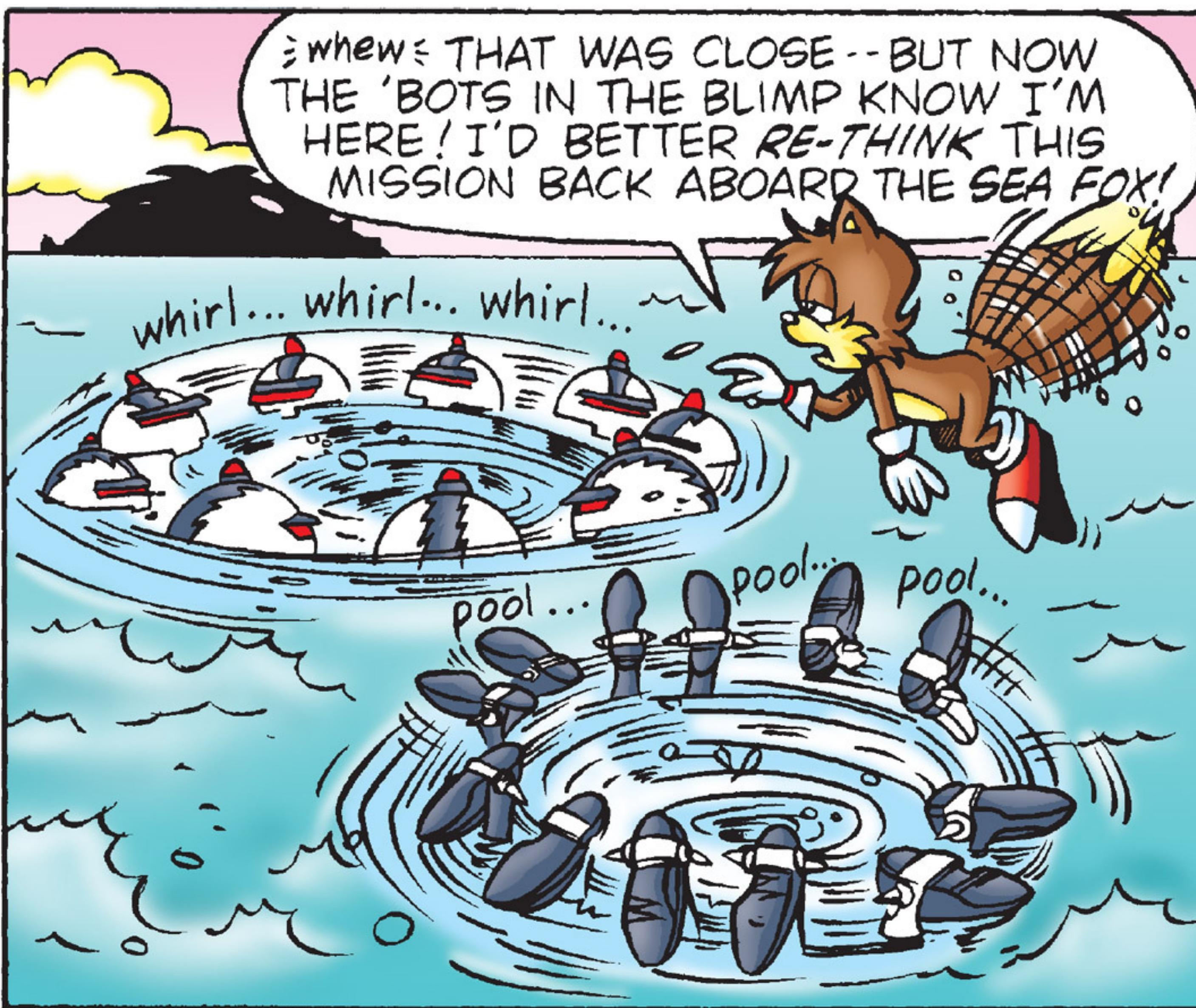
COME  
AND GET IT,  
BOYS...

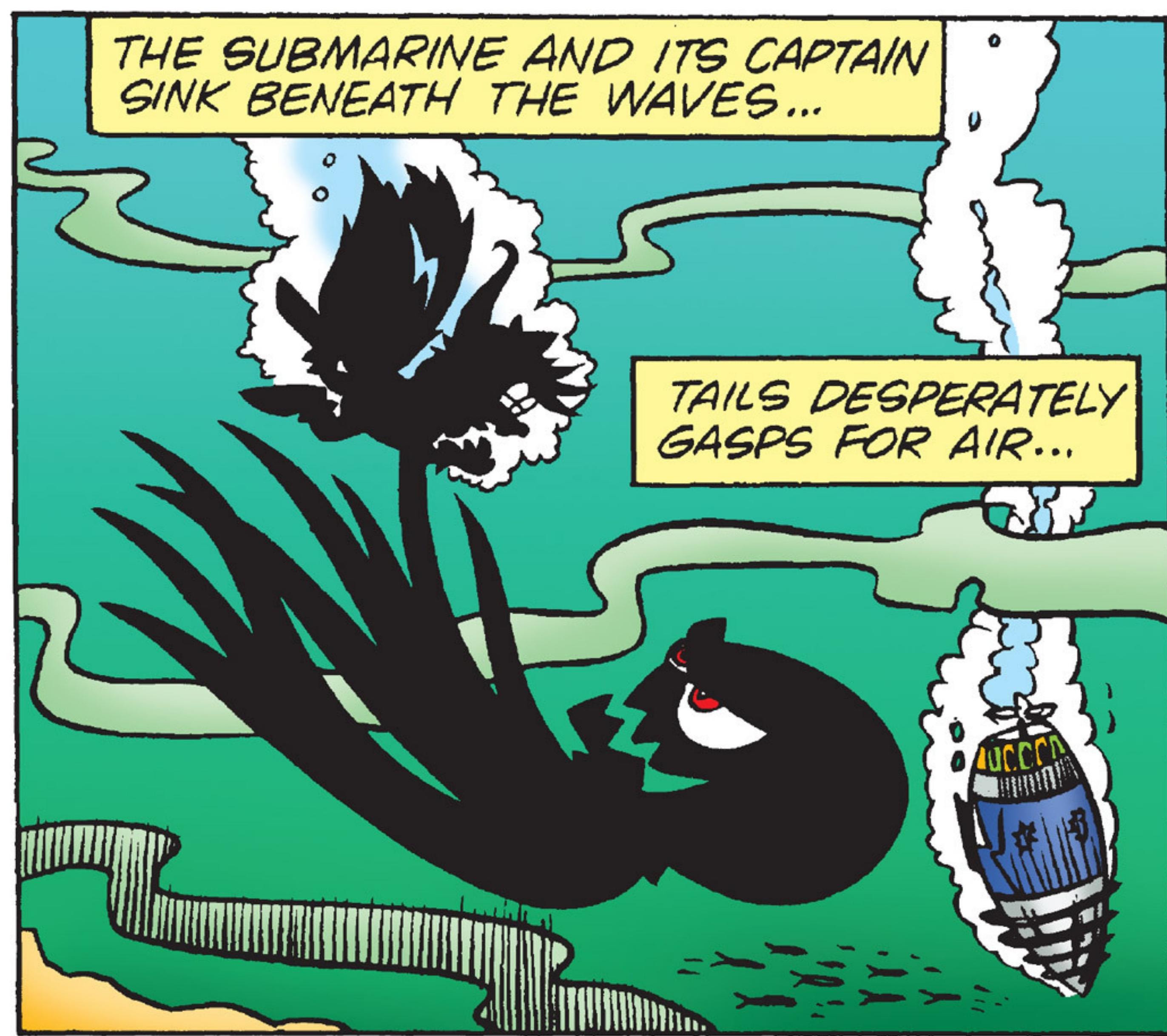
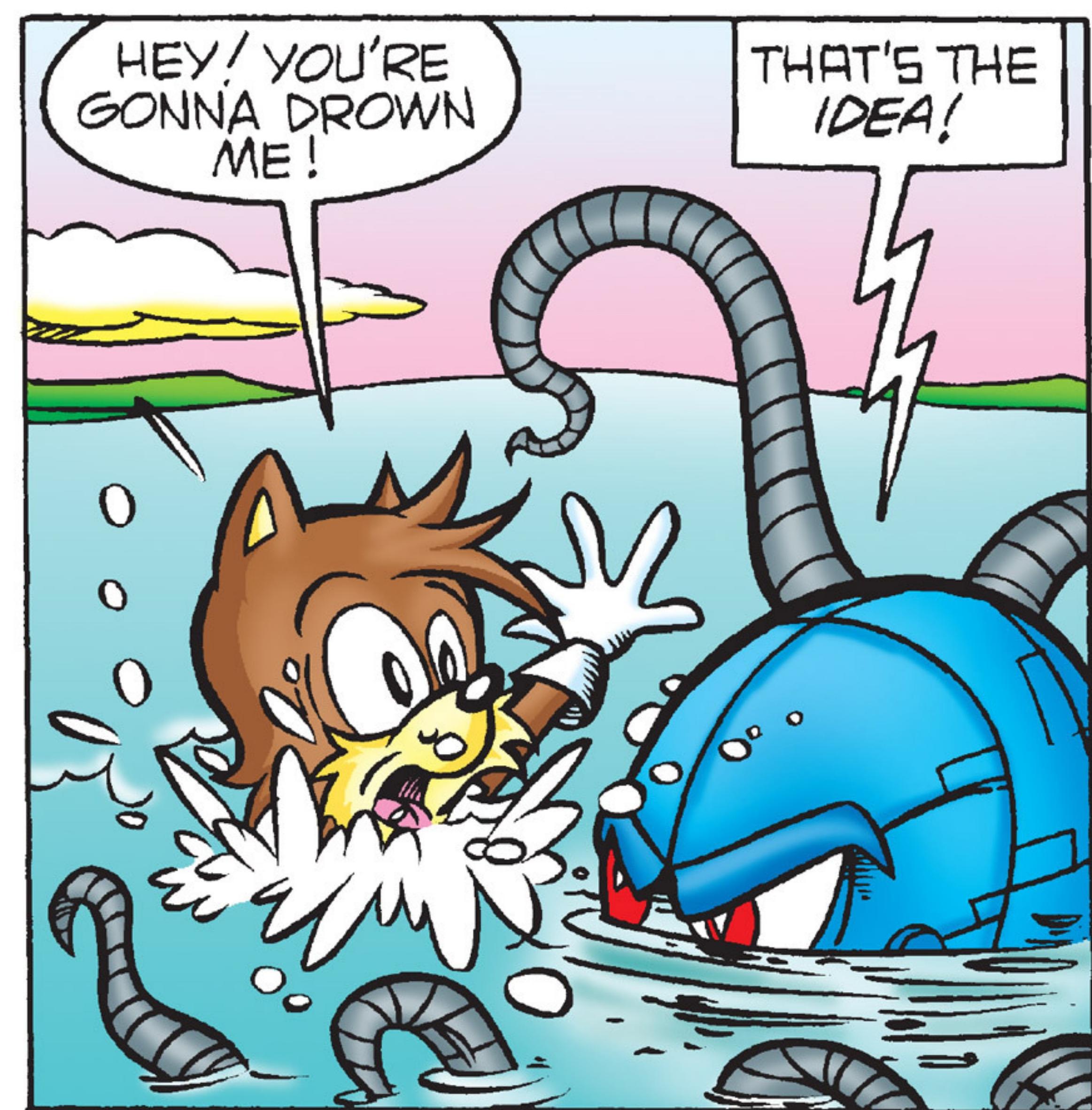
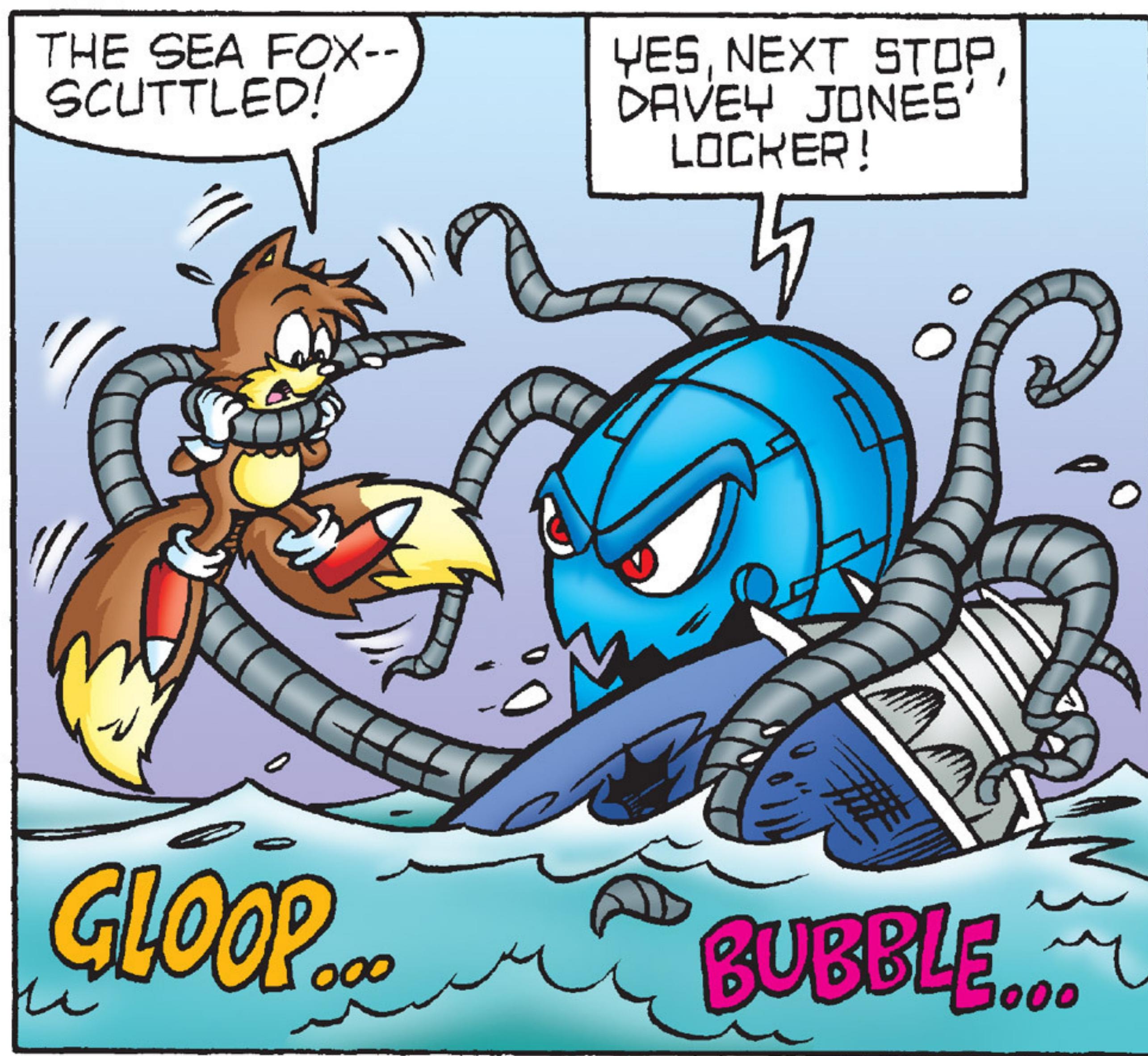
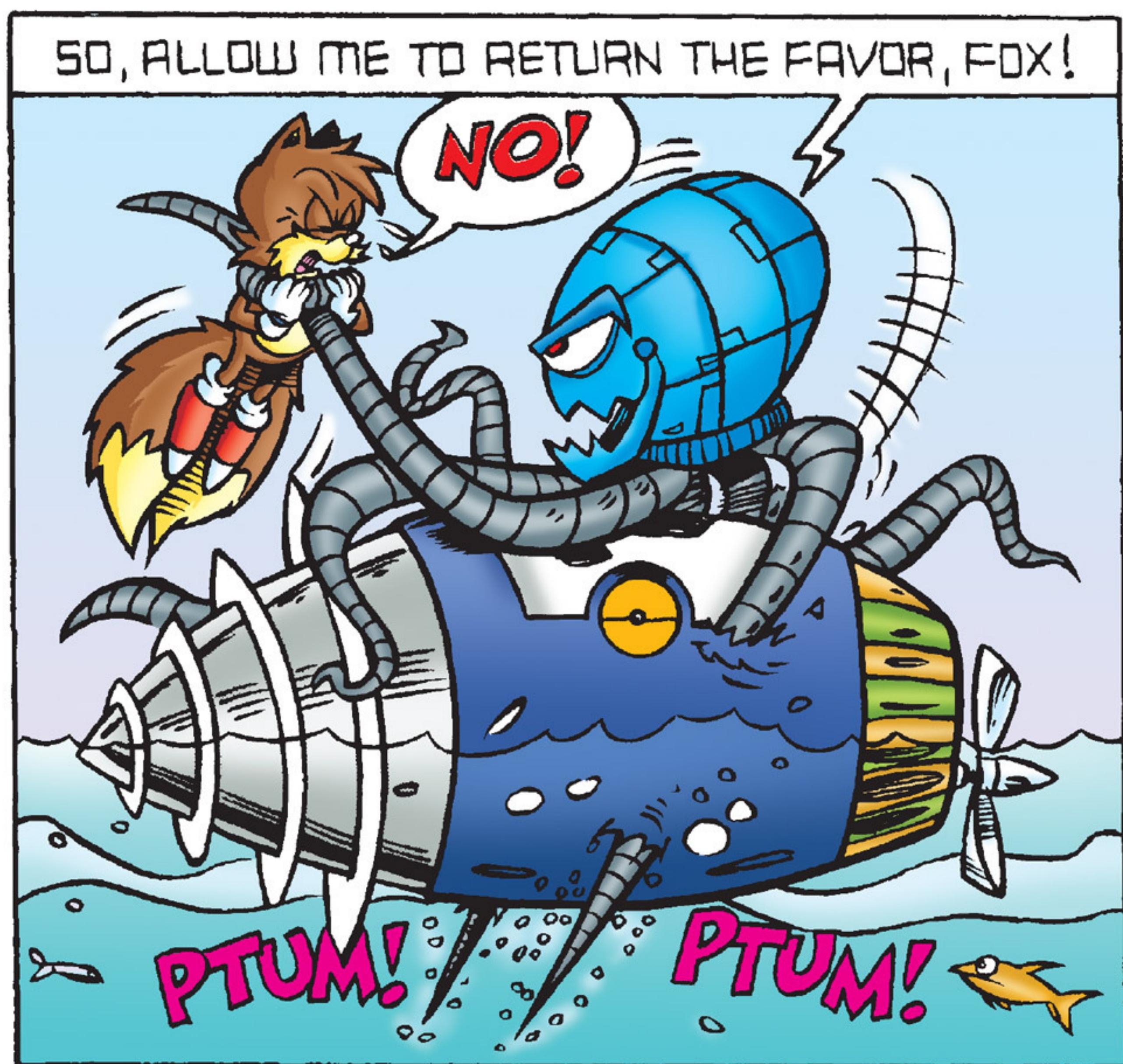
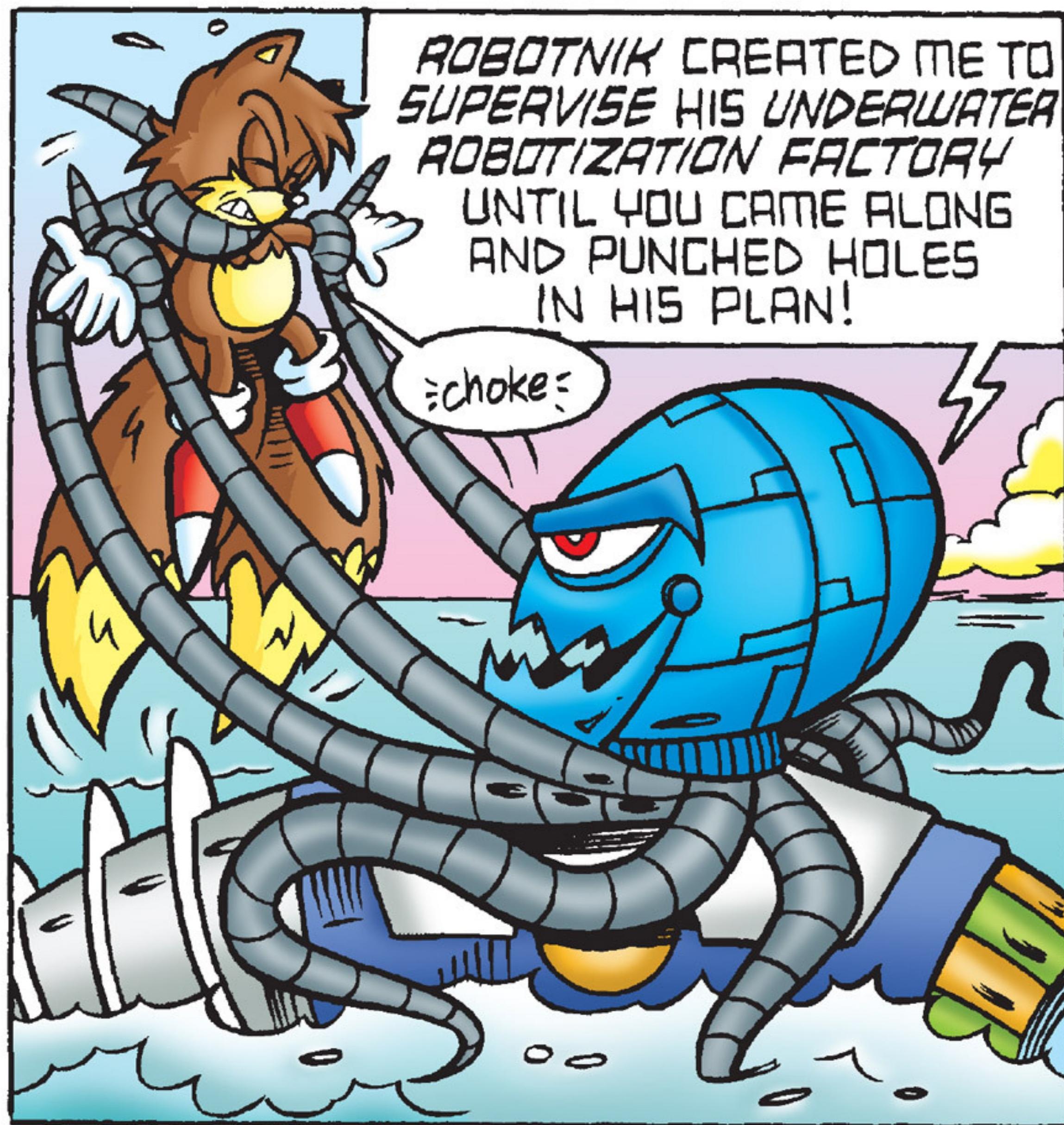
I'VE BEEN WORKING  
ON THIS MANEUVER FOR  
A WHILE...HOPE YOU DON'T  
MIND IF I SPOUT OFF ABOUT  
IT--WATER SPOUT THAT IS!

=BZZT= VORTEX...

=SQUEE= DISORIENTATION!

SKOOB!...VWOOSH!

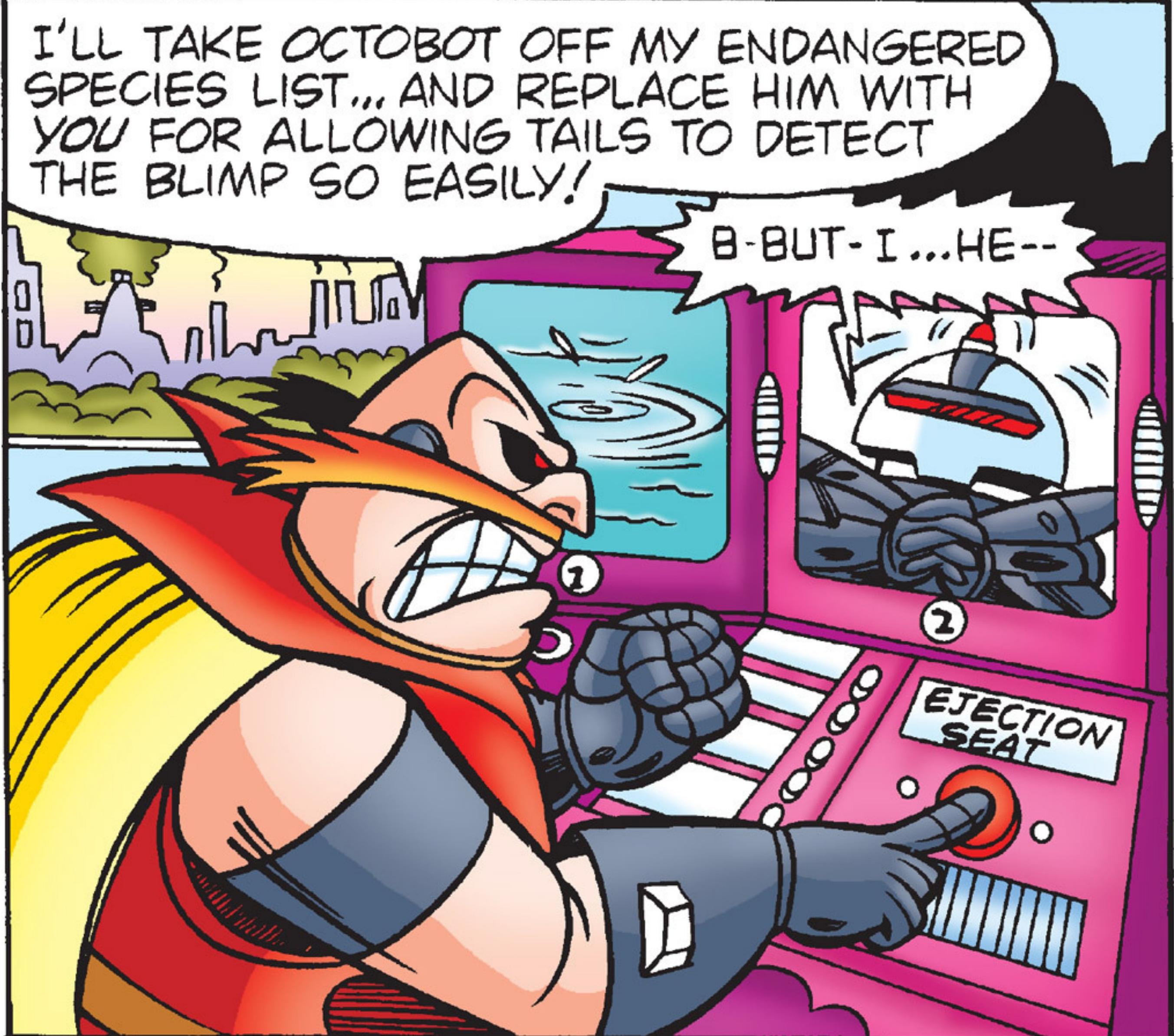
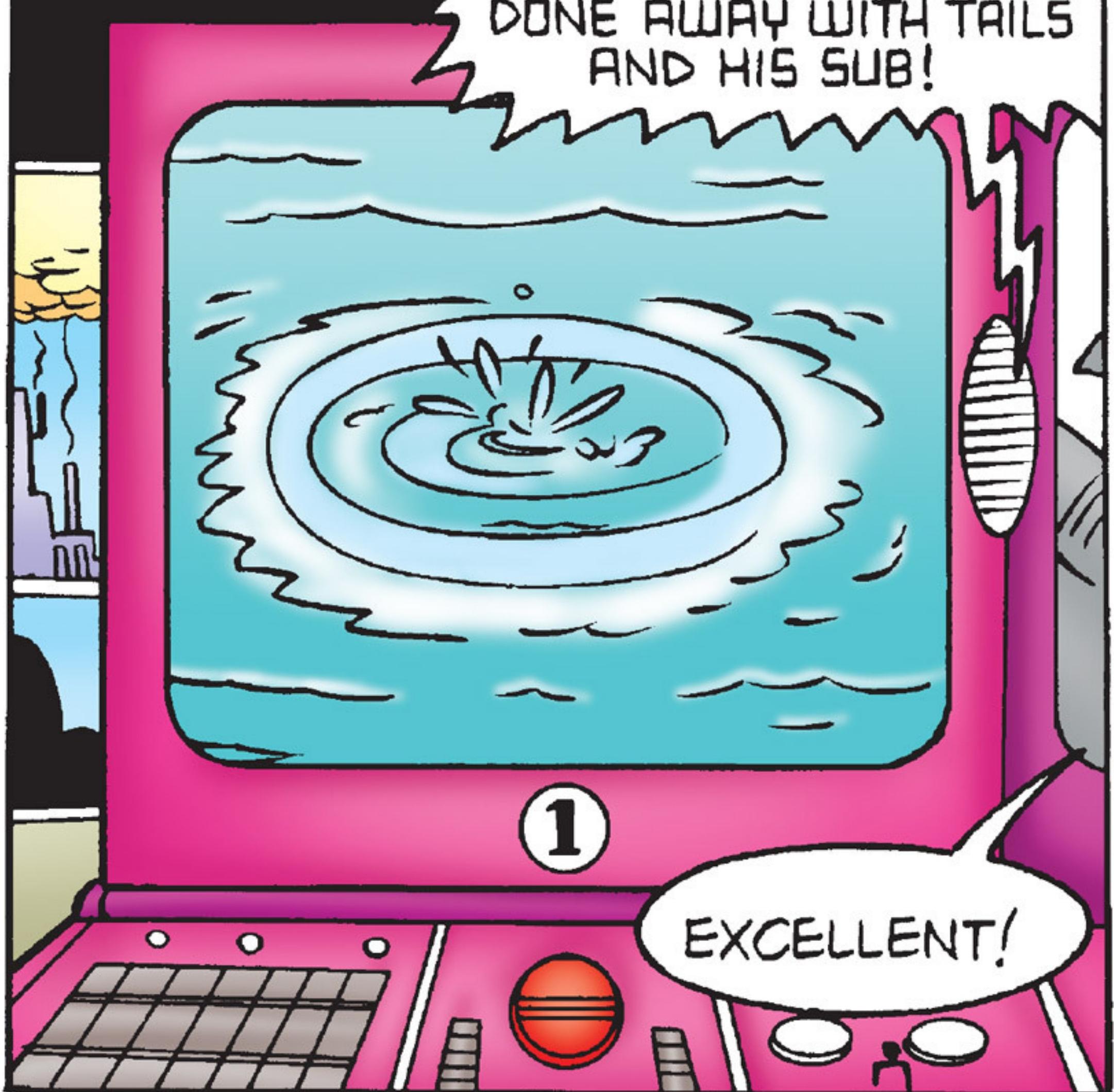




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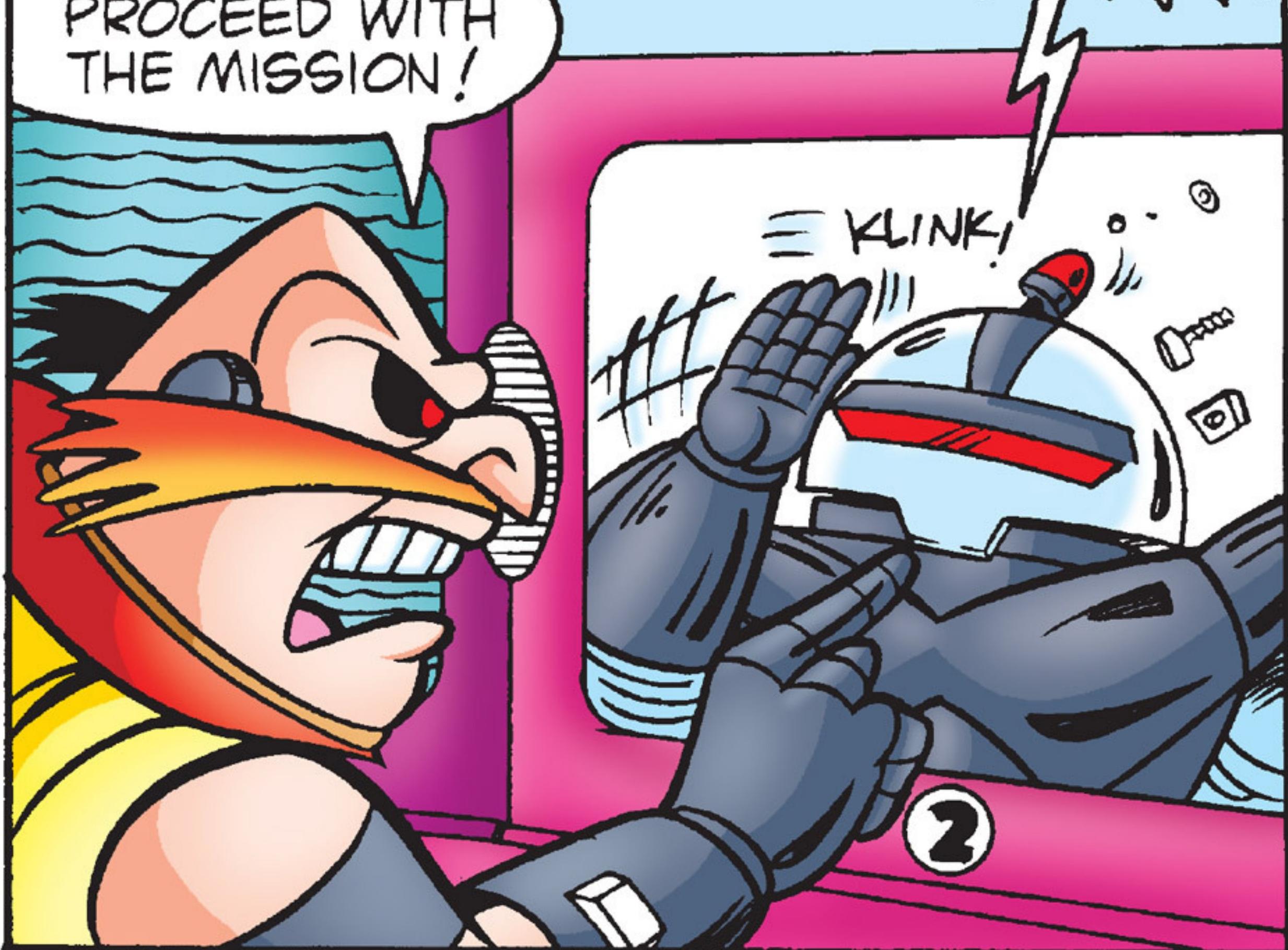
AS THE BLIMP-CAM SHOWS, OCTOBOT HAS DONE AWAY WITH TAILS AND HIS SUB!

I'LL TAKE OCTOBOT OFF MY ENDANGERED SPECIES LIST... AND REPLACE HIM WITH YOU FOR ALLOWING TAILS TO DETECT THE BLIMP SO EASILY!



CEASE THAT WHINING!  
I'LL GRANT YOU A  
REPRIEVE...NOW  
PROCEED WITH  
THE MISSION!

OH THANK YOU,  
ELLIPTICAL ONE!

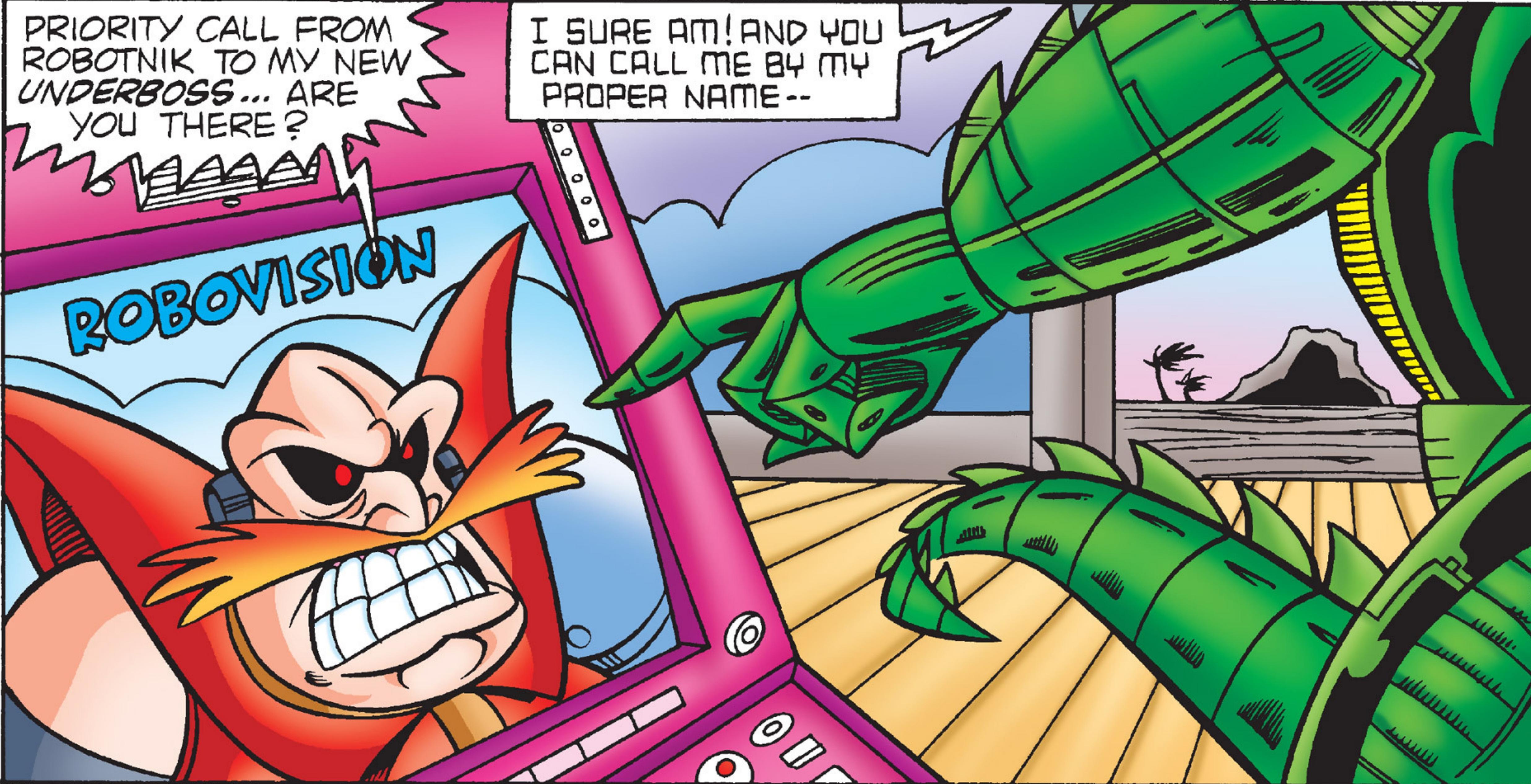


I SHALL CALL AHEAD WITH AN UPDATE...  
ROBOTROPOLIS TO DOWNUNDA...COME IN!



PRIORITY CALL FROM  
ROBOTNIK TO MY NEW  
UNDERBOSS... ARE  
YOU THERE?

I SURE AM! AND YOU  
CAN CALL ME BY MY  
PROPER NAME--



# CROCBOT!

VERY WELL... YOUR SUPPLIES ARE ON THE WAY! SOON YOU'LL HAVE EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO CHANGE DOWNUNDA FROM A PRISTINE PARADISE TO A POLLUTED WASTELAND!

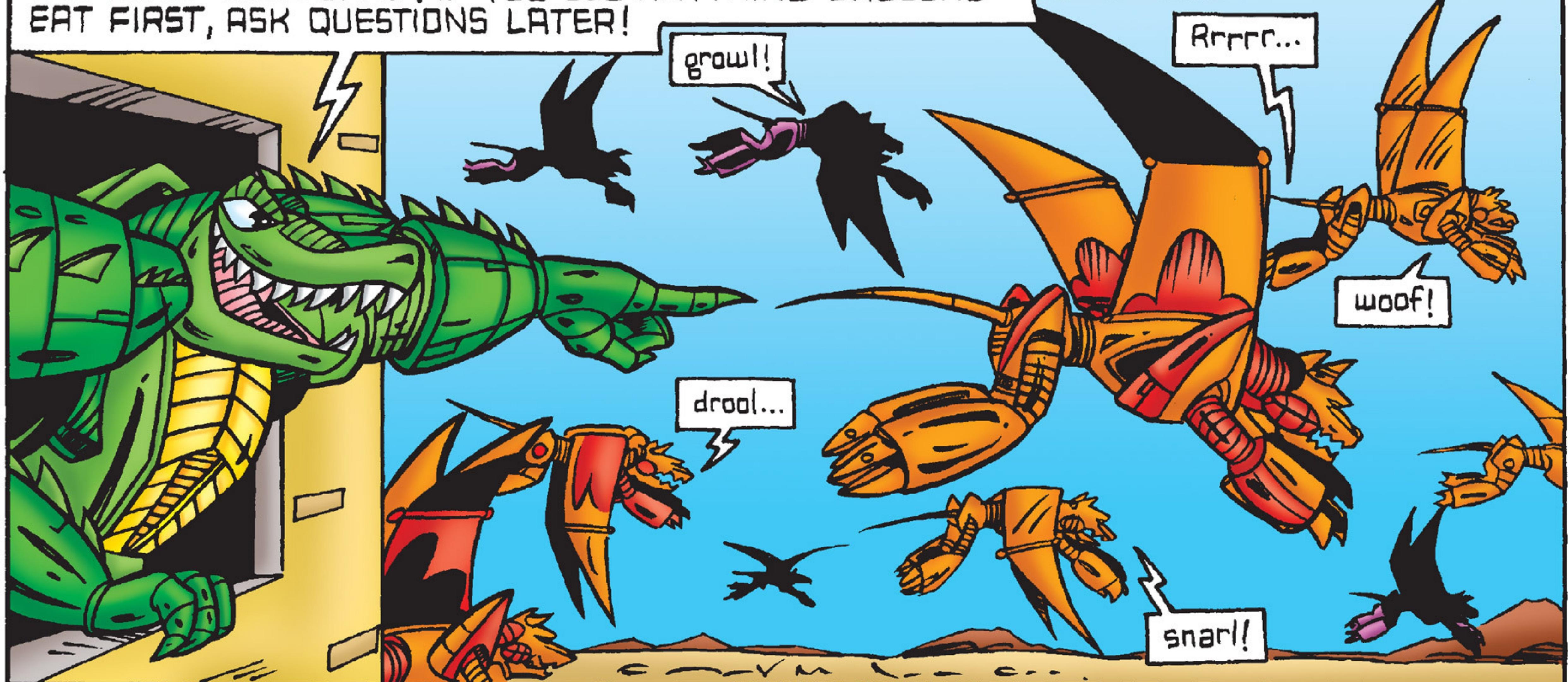
GLAD TO HEAR IT, MATE -- OVER AND OUT!

JUST TO ENSURE A SAFE DELIVERY, I'LL SEND THE PACK OUT TO MEET THE BLIMP!

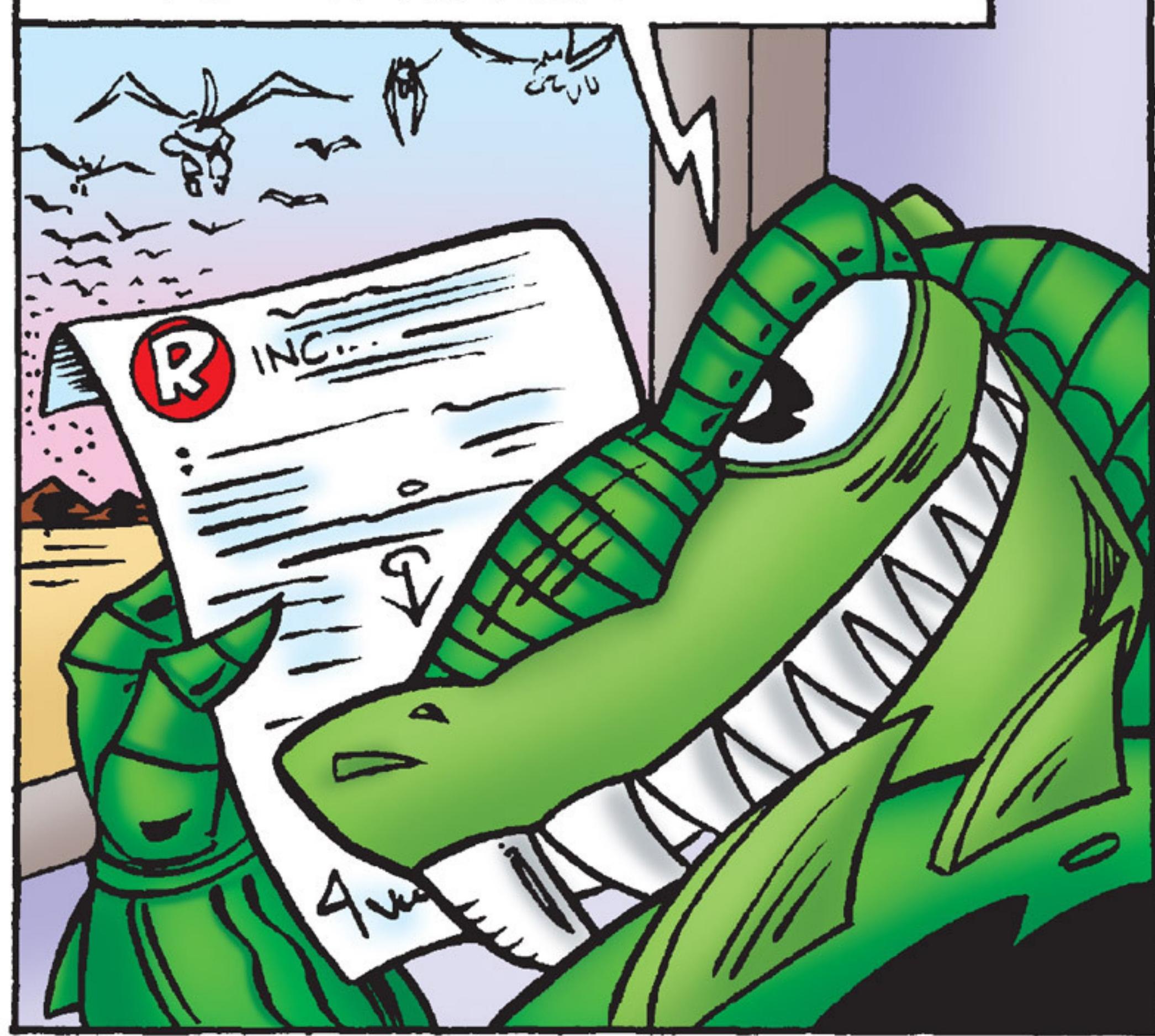
HERE, ALPHA!

snaught!

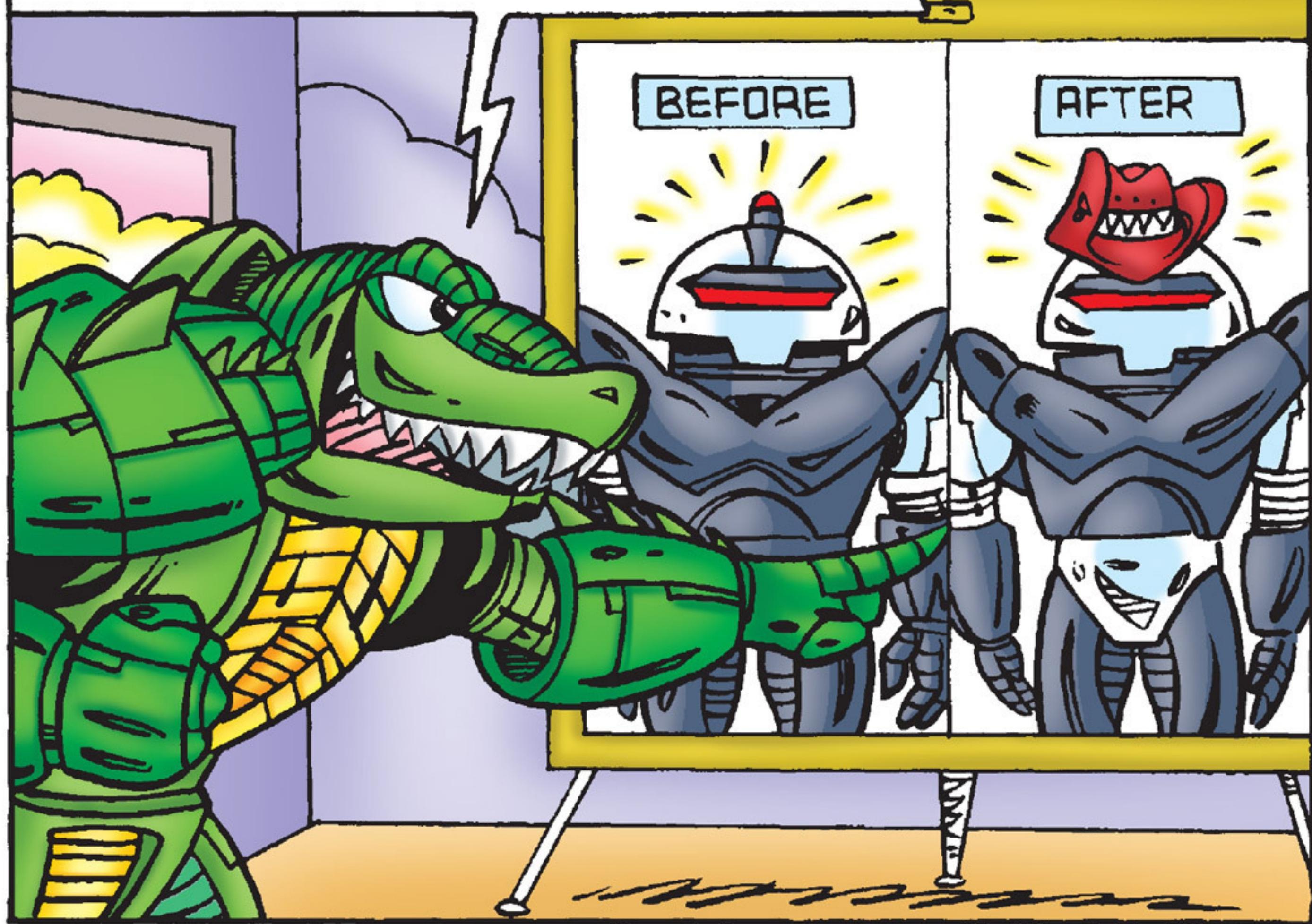
OFF YOU GO, MY LOYAL WING DINGOES! PATROL THE AIRSTRIPE WHERE THE BLIMP WILL LAND! IF YOU SEE ANYTHING UNUSUAL-- EAT FIRST, ASK QUESTIONS LATER!



HAW! THIS STUFF ROBOTNIK'S SENDING ME WILL QUADRUPLE MY POWER BASE AND MAKE ME INVINCIBLE!

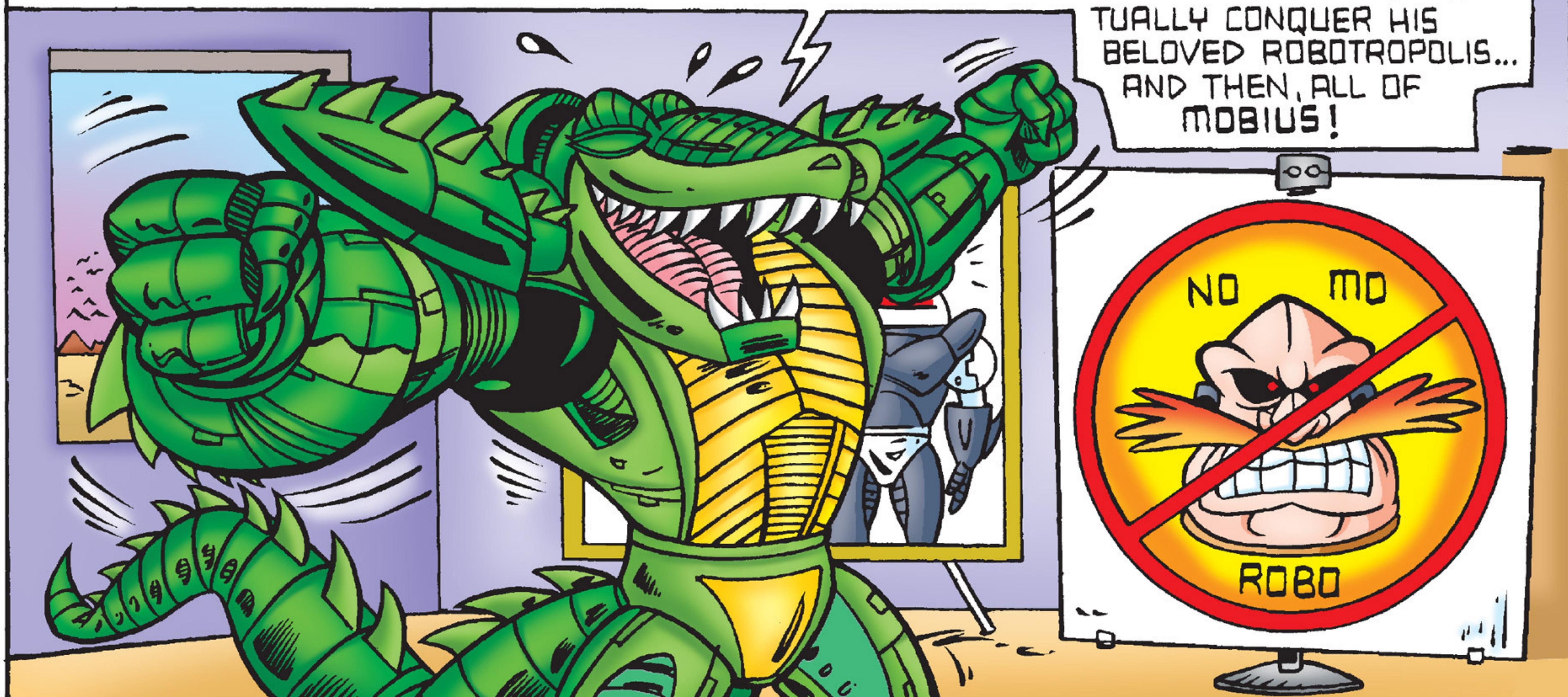


Snicker! WHAT BLUBBERBOLTS DOESN'T KNOW IS THAT I'LL BE REWIRING THE SWATBOT CREW SO THEY'LL BECOME MY SLAVES!



I'LL NOT ONLY TAKE OVER DOWNUNDA, BUT I'LL DOUBLE CROSS THE FAT MAN AND EVEN-

TUALLY CONQUER HIS BELOVED ROBOTROPOLIS... AND THEN, ALL OF MOBIUS!



AT THAT  
MOMENT...

UHHNGH...

OH, MY ACHING HEAD...I--HUH? I'M **ALIVE!**

YOU SURE  
ARE!

HUH? WHO  
SAID TH--

**YOW!** A  
STINGRAY!

ACTUALLY, I'M A  
NON-POISONOUS MANTA  
BUT YOU GOT MY NAME  
RIGHT: **RAY!**

BUT I WAS--THE  
SEA FOX--  
OCTOBOT!  
HOW--?

RELAX, FRIEND...  
LET ME TELL YOU,  
WHAT HAPPENED!

"THAT UNDERWATER UNDERWORLDER DID  
INDEED HAVE YOU IN HIS CLUTCHES..."

"YOU WERE ABOUT TO DROWN!"

glup!

"BUT THE SEAS OF MOBIUS ARE NOT WITHOUT A DETERMINED BAND OF REBELS DEDICATED TO KEEPING OUR WATERS ROBO-FREE! WE'RE CALLED:

## THE FORTY FATHOMS FREEDOM FIGHTERS!

THE P.I.A.\* WAS  
RIGHT! OCTOBOT'S  
UP TO HIS OLD  
TRICKS!

CHARGE!

YEAH!

\*PLANKTON INTELLIGENCE AGENCY-E.D.

TAKE THAT,  
EIGHT-BALL!

YIPE!

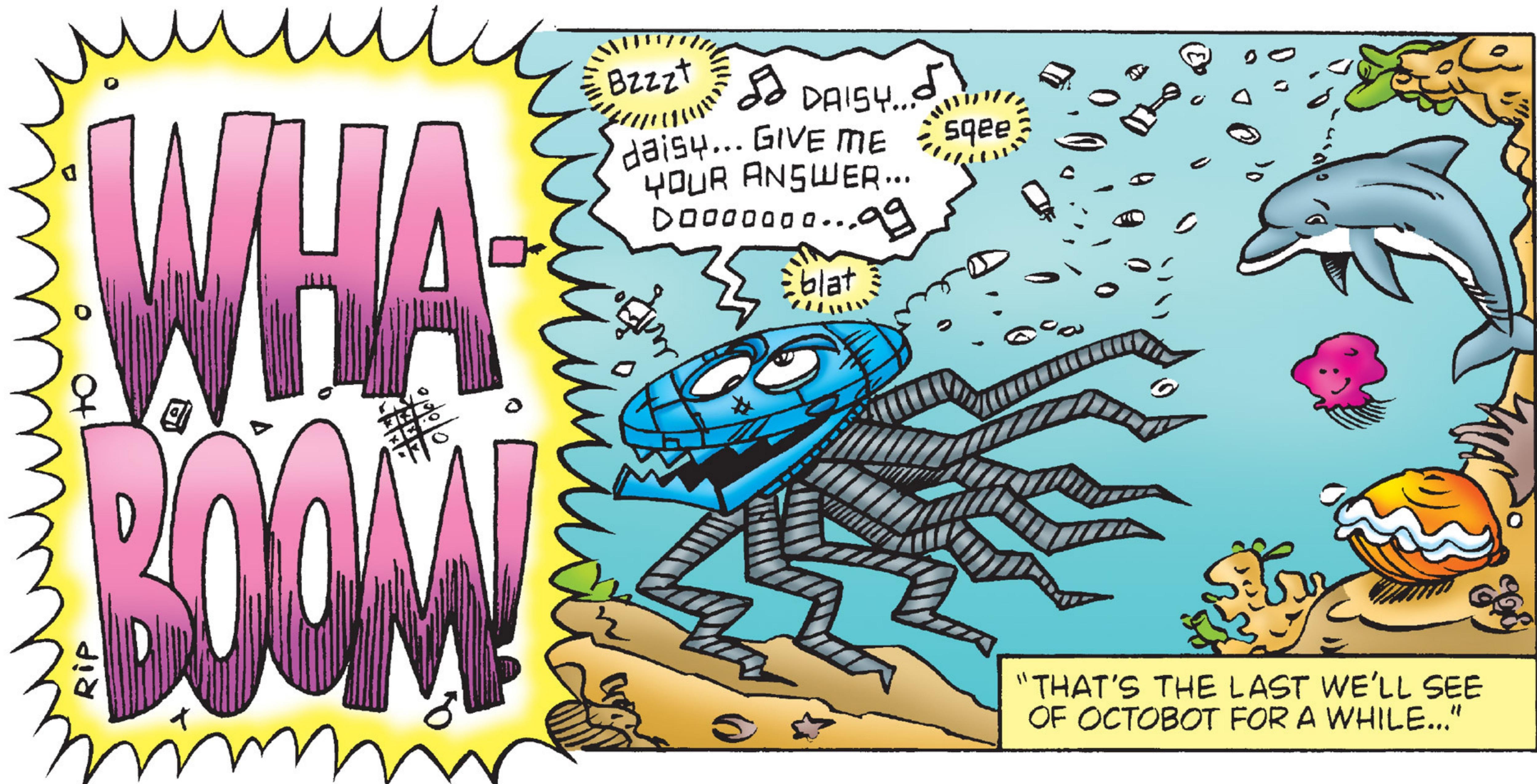
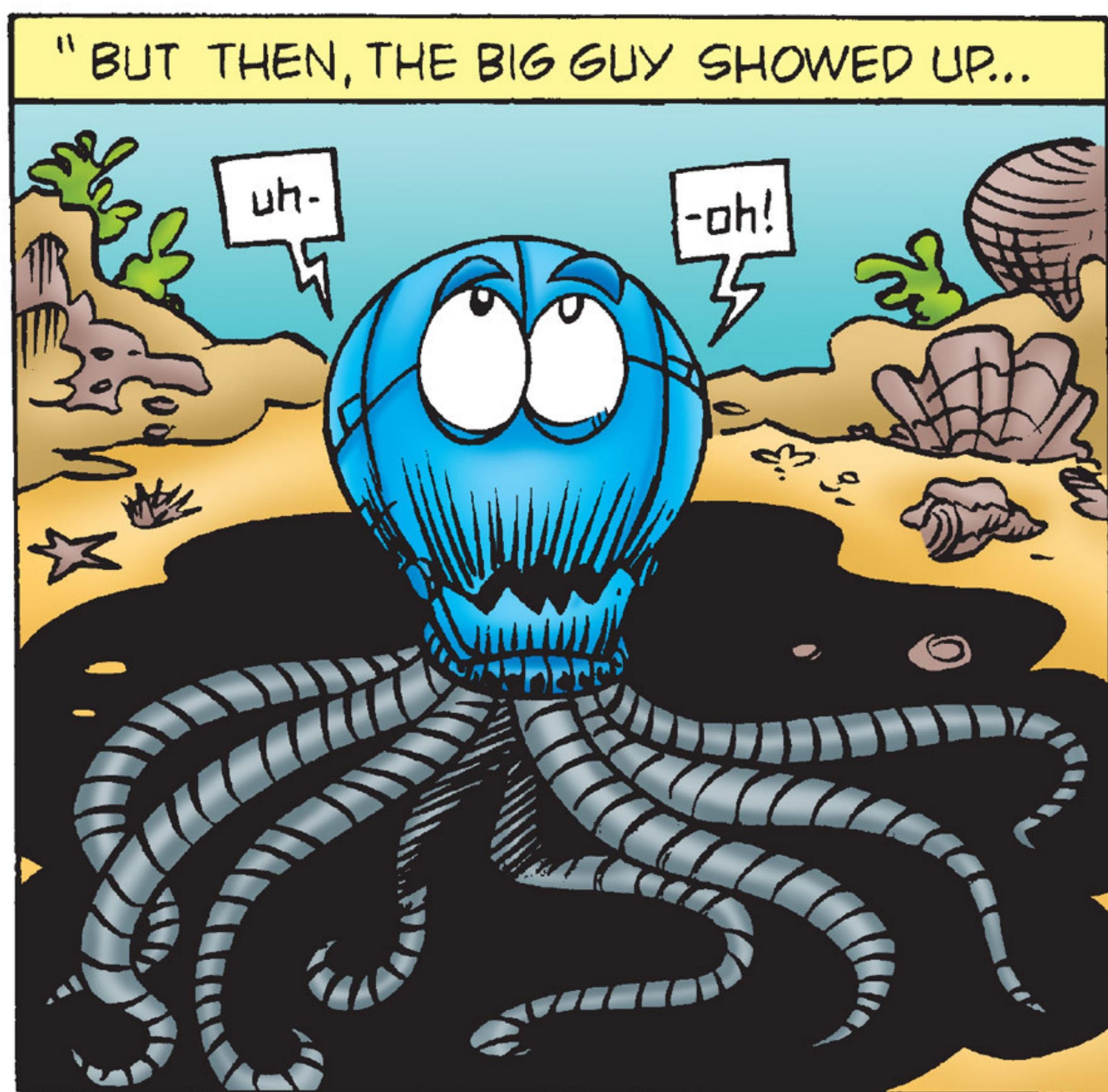
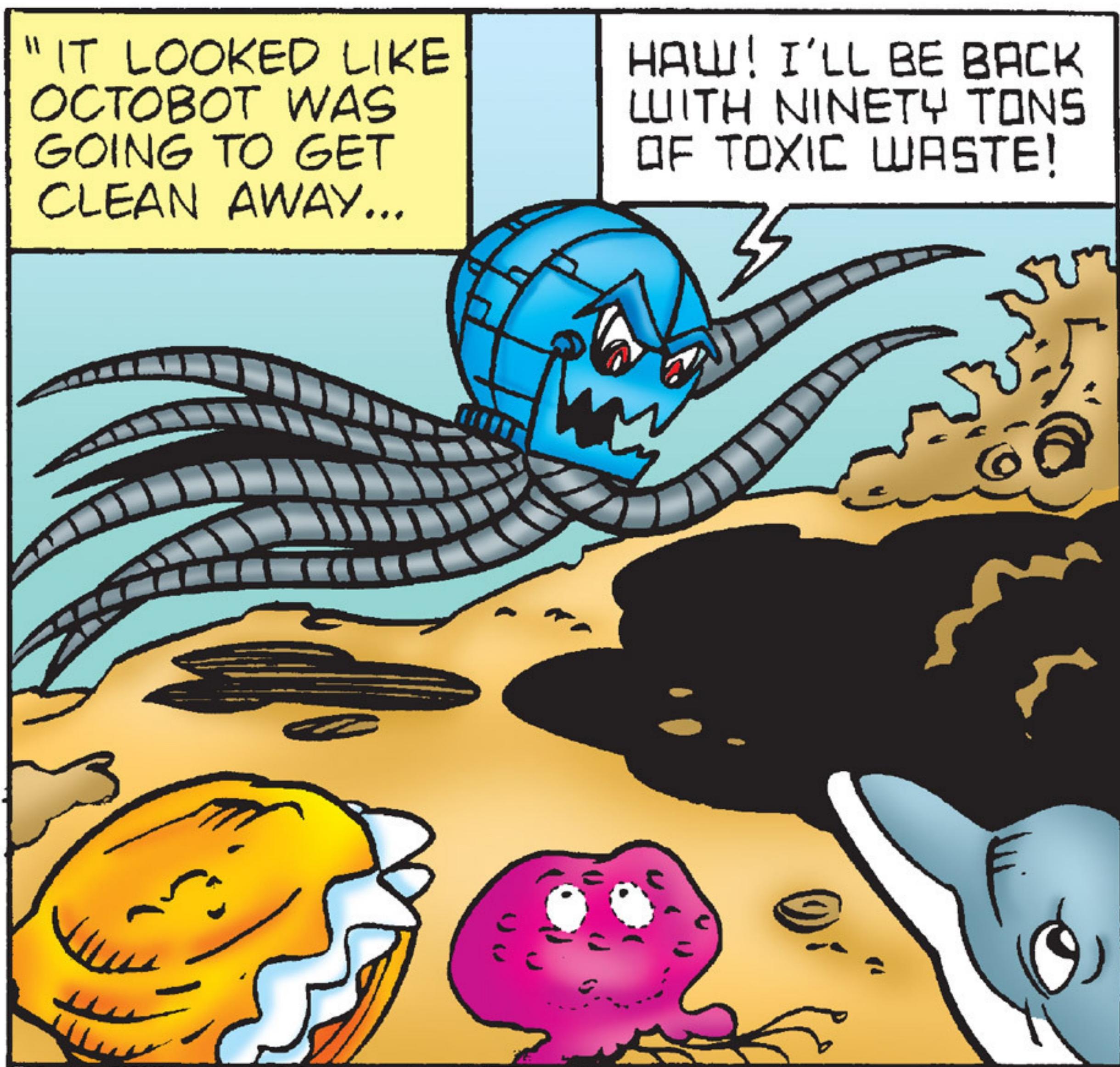
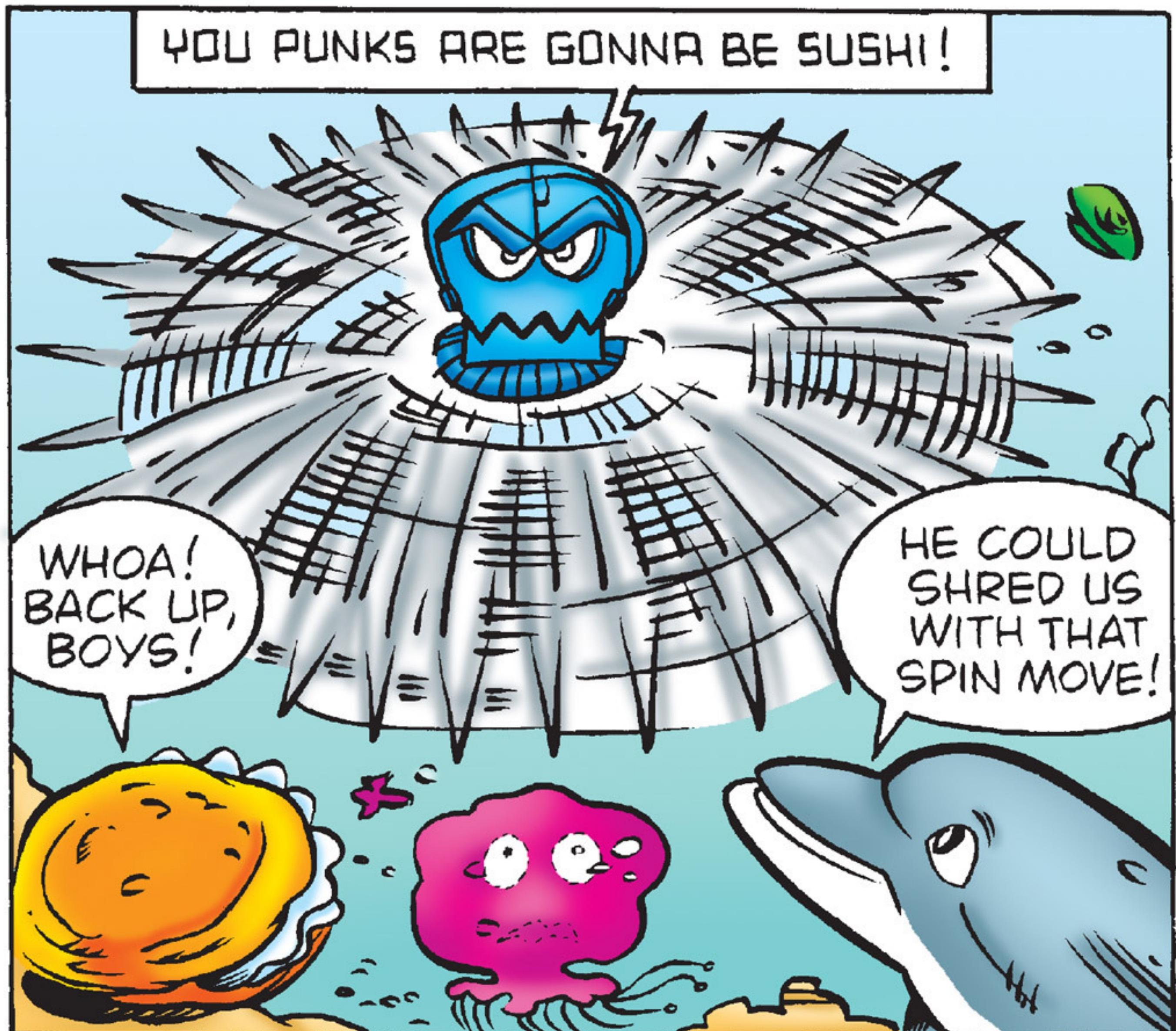
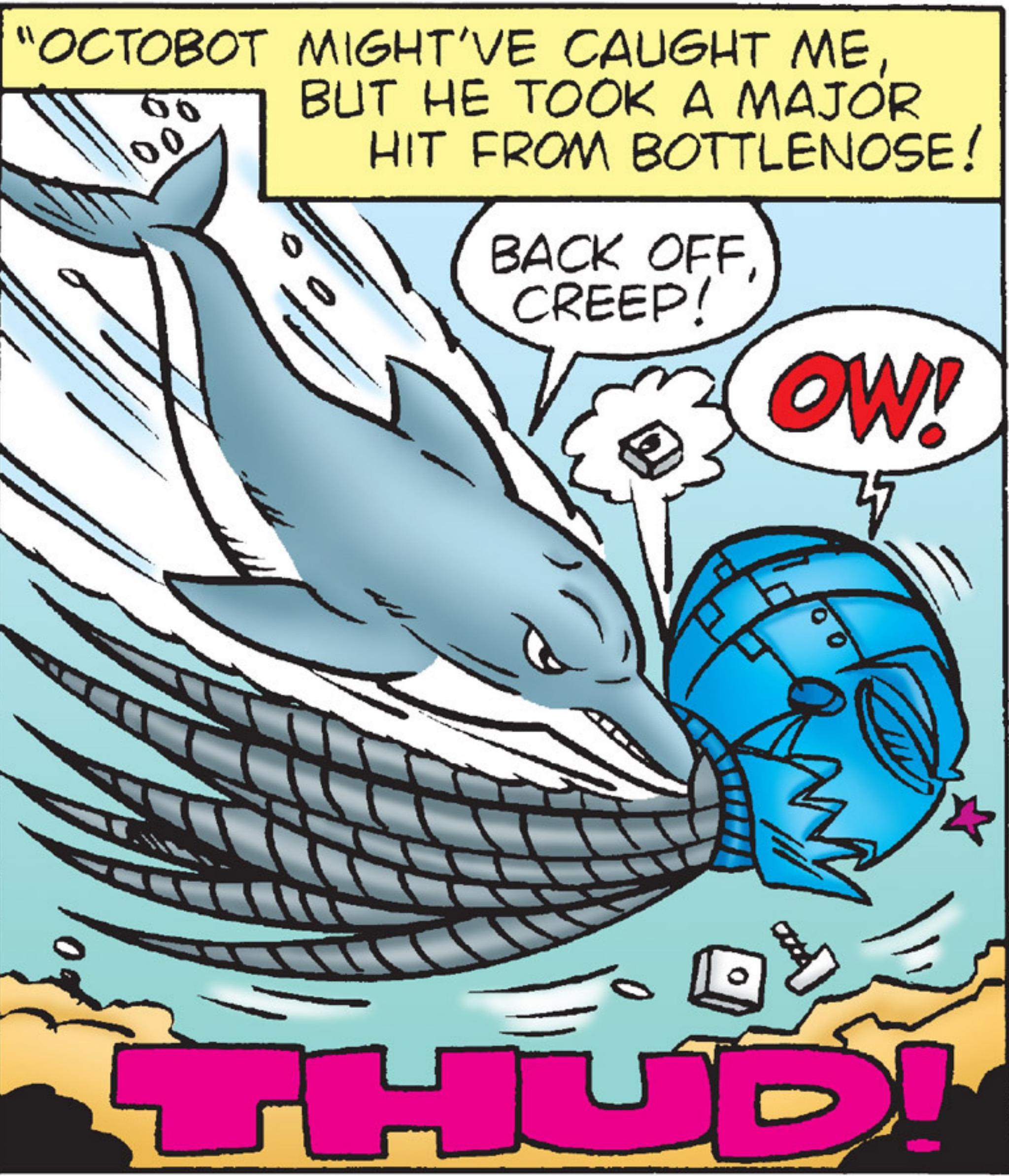
"OUR STINGING JELLYFISH  
NAMED 'P.B.' ZAPPED OCTOBOT  
GOOD, MAKING HIM DROP YOU--

"--SO I COULD GET YOU BACK TO THE SURFACE!"

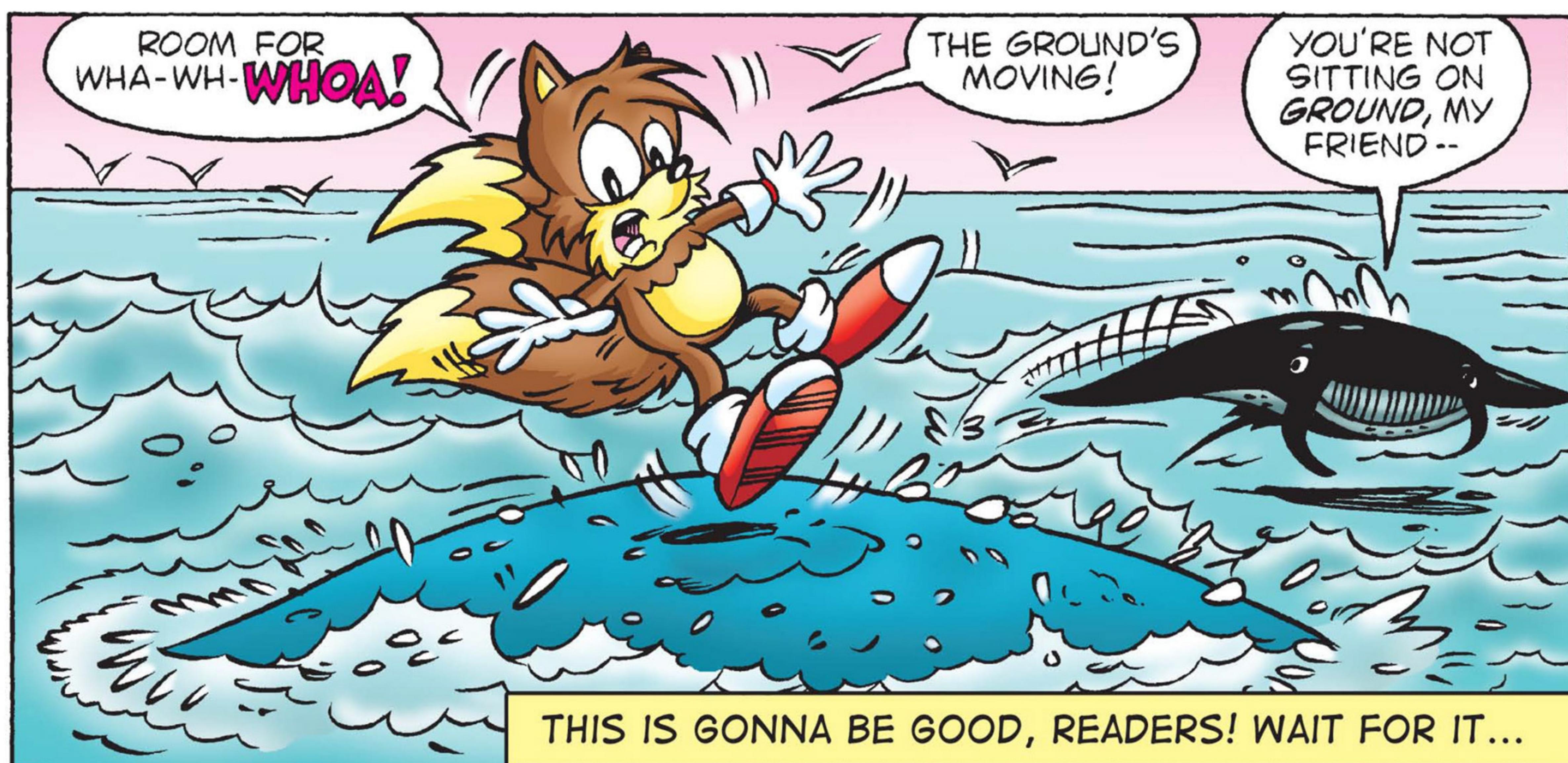
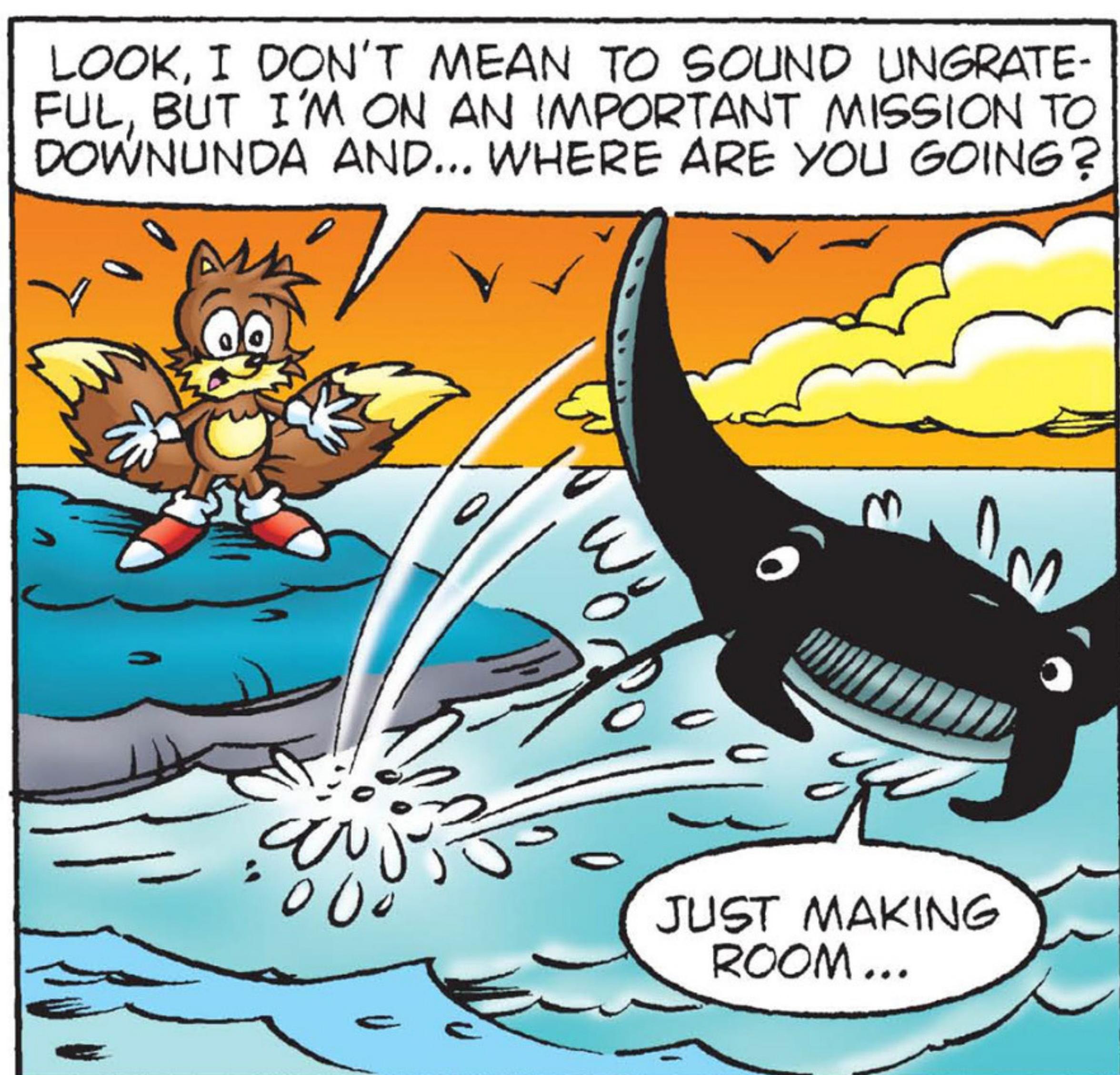
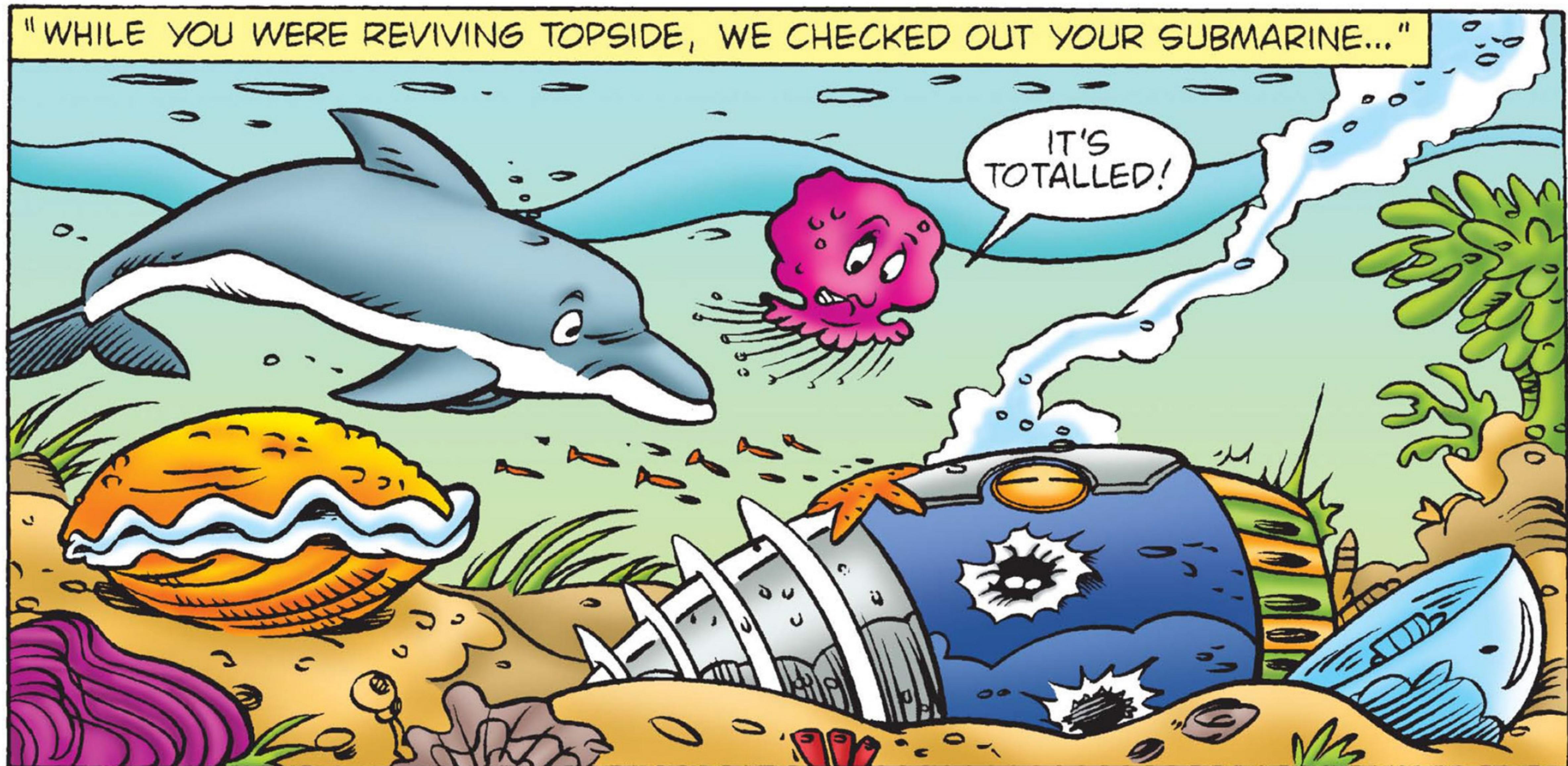
COME BACK WITH  
MY AIR-BREATHER!

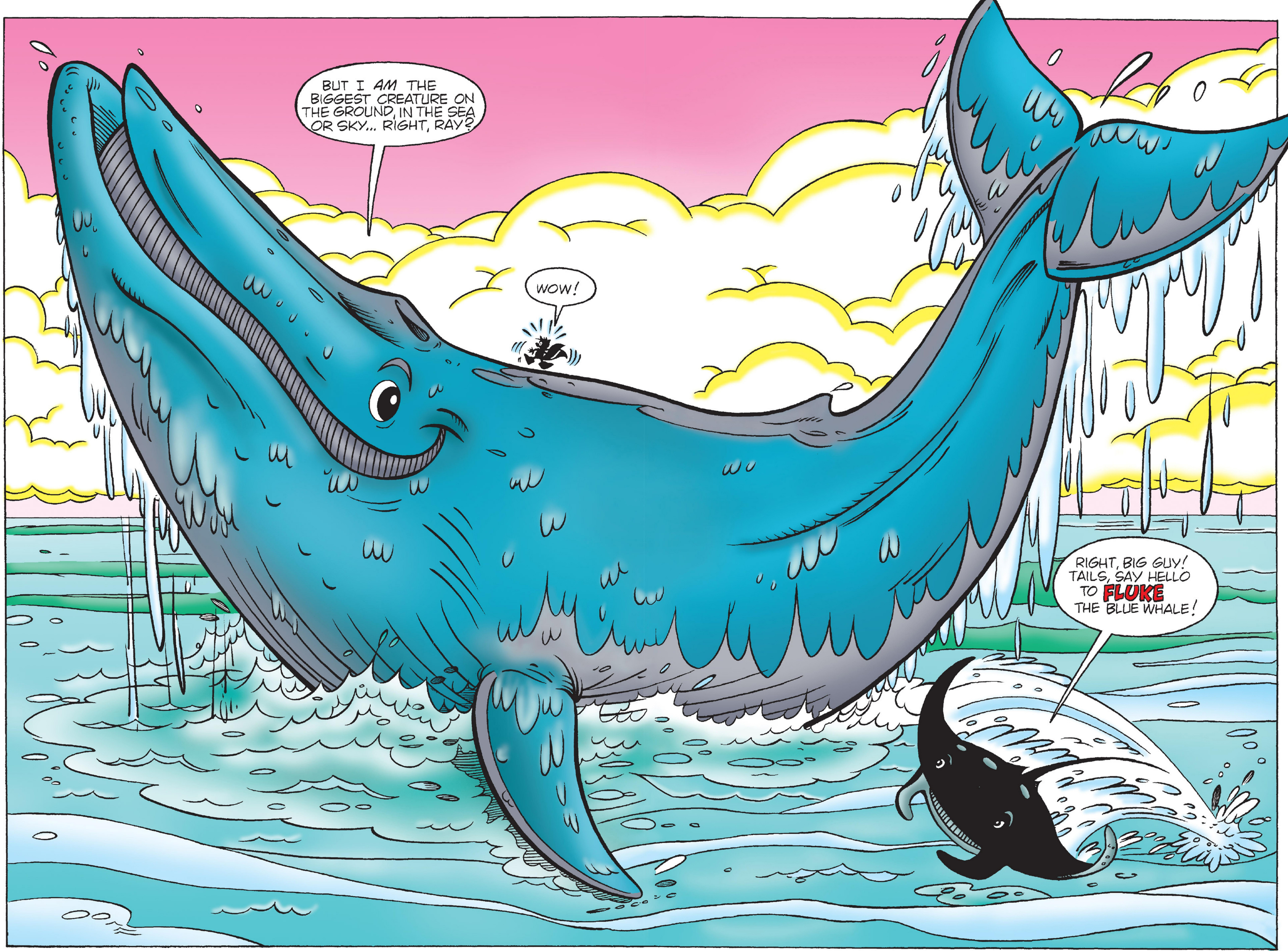
SOK!

OOF!



"WHILE YOU WERE REVIVING TOPSIDE, WE CHECKED OUT YOUR SUBMARINE..."





BUT I AM THE  
BIGGEST CREATURE ON  
THE GROUND, IN THE SEA  
OR SKY... RIGHT, RAY?

WOW!

RIGHT, BIG GUY!  
TAILS, SAY HELLO  
TO **FLUKE**  
THE BLUE WHALE!

